

# Report for VTSD Parent Survey

## Response Counts

Completion Rate:

72.3%



Complete



1,444

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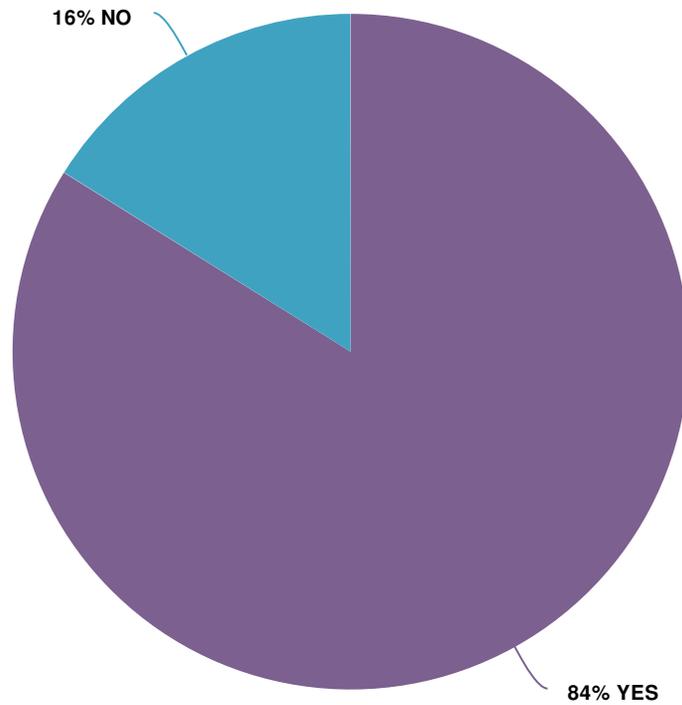


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Totals: 1,998

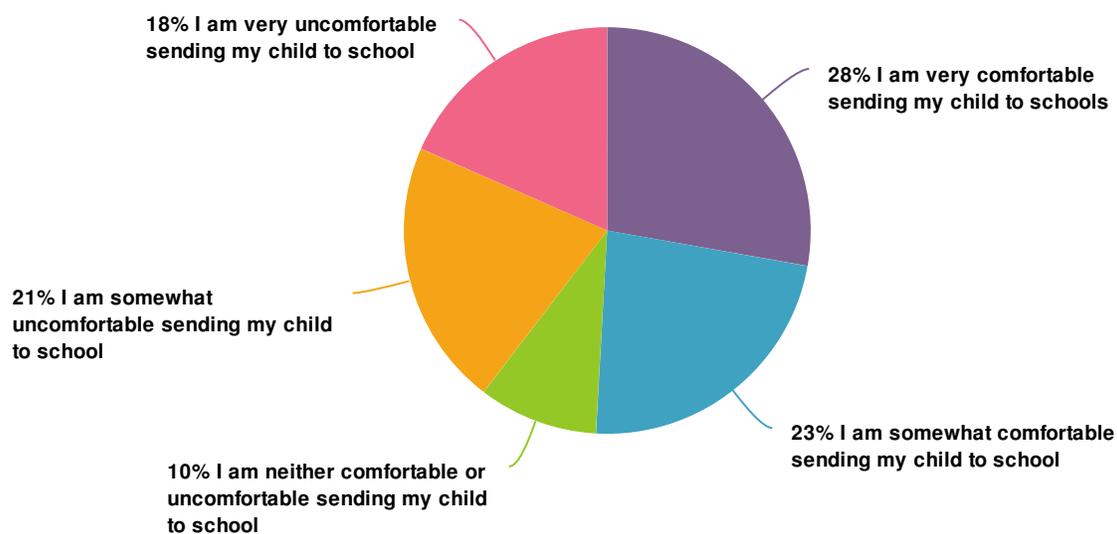
1. If masks (any type) or face coverings are required for live, in-person learning, can you provide something that your child can wear each day to school?



Value	Percent	Responses
YES	83.9%	1,386
NO	16.1%	266

Totals: 1,652

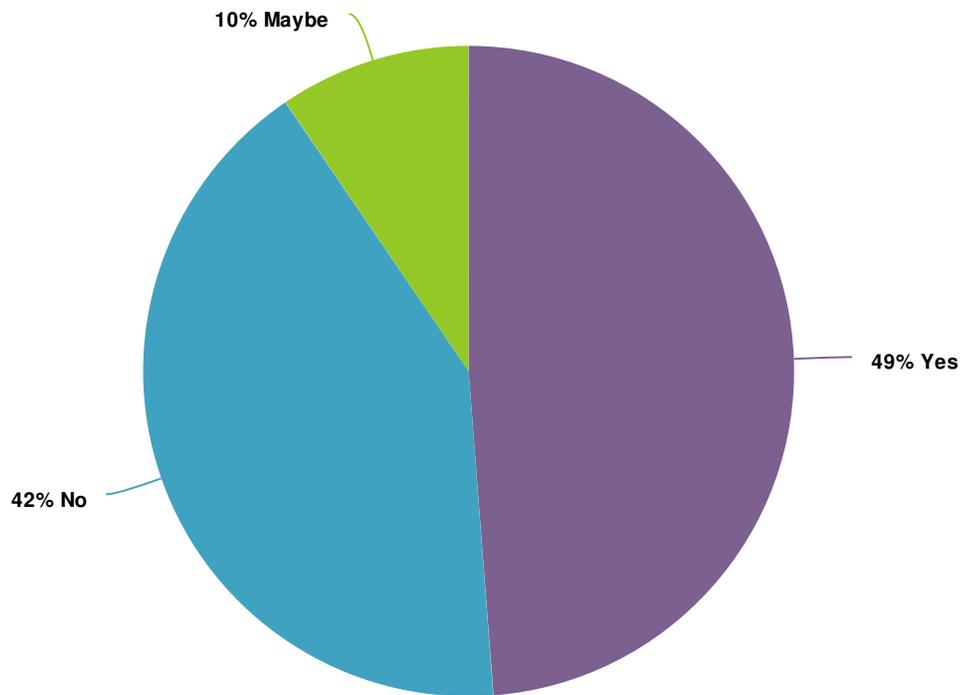
2. If all school personnel are wearing masks or face coverings in school, how do you feel about sending your child to school?



Value	Percent	Responses
I am very comfortable sending my child to schools	27.8%	457
I am somewhat comfortable sending my child to school	23.1%	380
I am neither comfortable or uncomfortable sending my child to school	9.5%	156
I am somewhat uncomfortable sending my child to school	21.2%	349
I am very uncomfortable sending my child to school	18.4%	303

Totals: 1,645

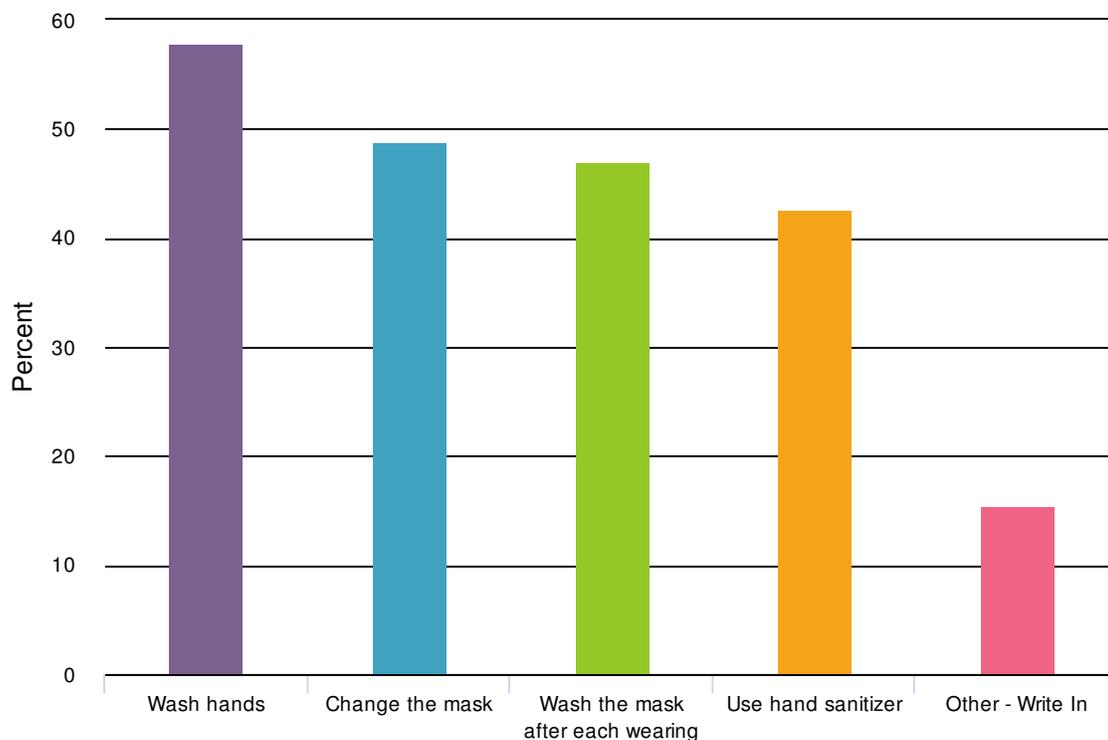
3. Do you currently use PPE on a regular basis for anything you do from your home base?



Value	Percent	Responses
Yes	48.8%	800
No	41.7%	683
Maybe	9.5%	155

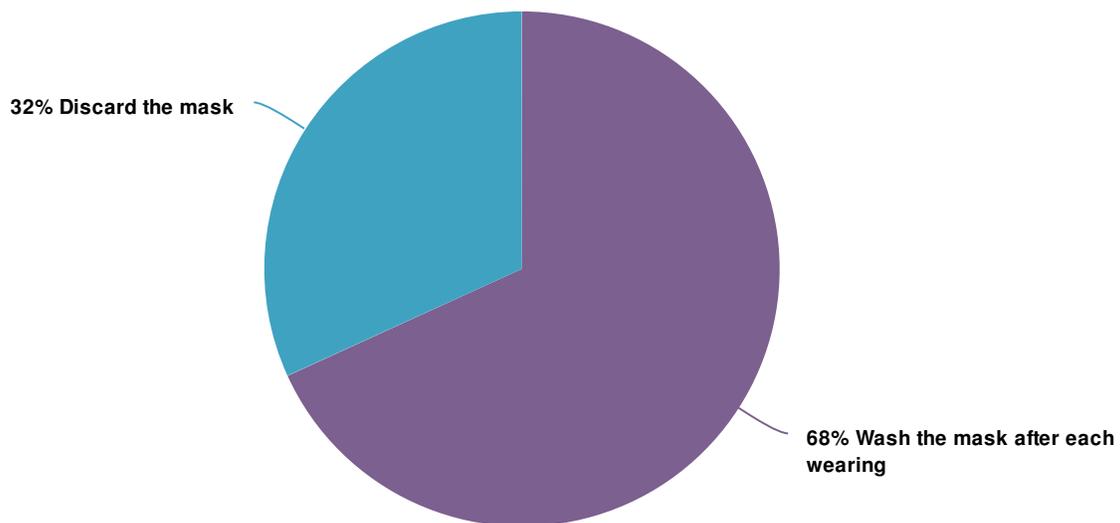
Totals: 1,638

4. If your child sneezes or coughs while wearing a mask, do you encourage your child to:



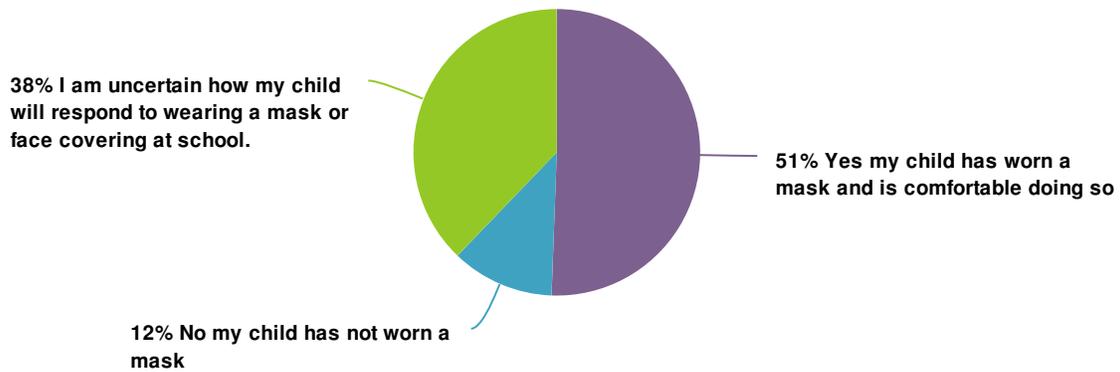
Value		Percent	Responses
Wash hands		57.9%	937
Change the mask		48.8%	789
Wash the mask after each wearing		47.1%	762
Use hand sanitizer		42.6%	690
Other - Write In		15.4%	249

5. After the mask/face covering is worn, do you:



Value		Percent	Responses
Wash the mask after each wearing		68.2%	1,076
Discard the mask		31.8%	501
			<b>Totals: 1,577</b>

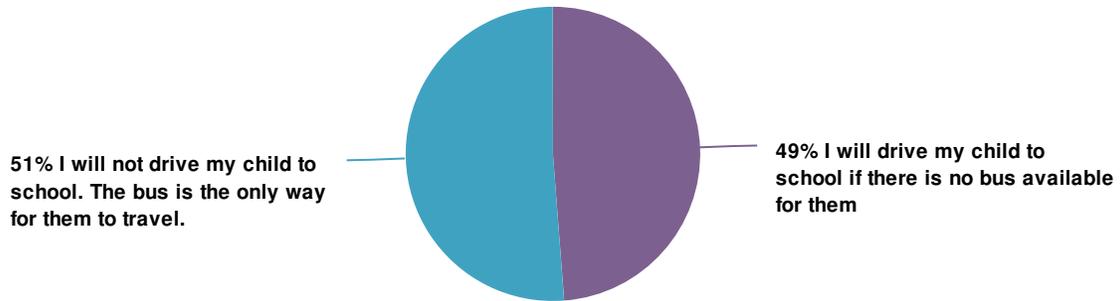
6. Have your children worn a mask or face covering since COVID-19 social isolation guidelines went into effect?



Value		Percent	Responses
Yes my child has worn a mask and is comfortable doing so		50.6%	826
No my child has not worn a mask		11.6%	190
I am uncertain how my child will respond to wearing a mask or face covering at school.		37.8%	618

Totals: 1,634

## 7. In regards to bussing:



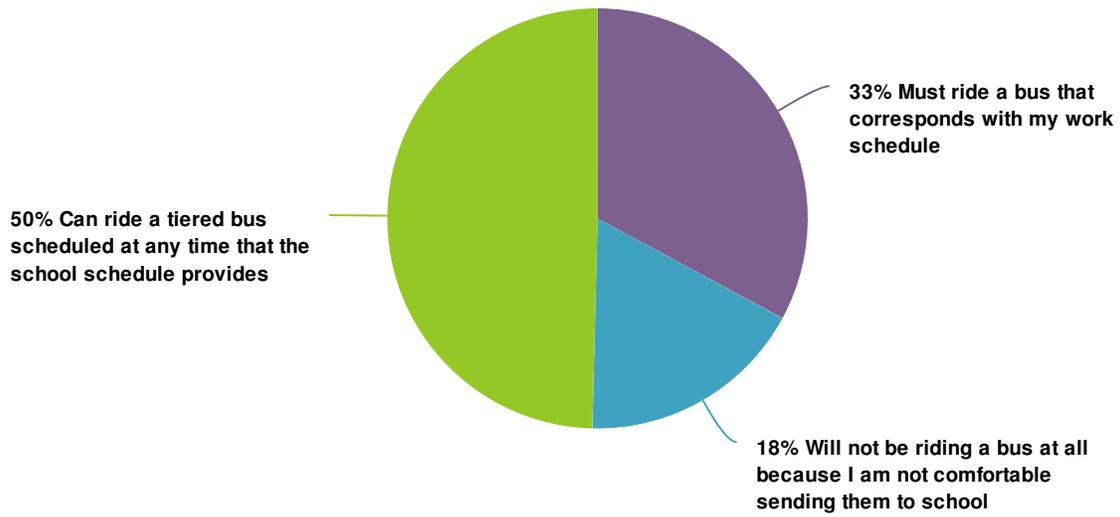
### Value

### Percent Responses

I will drive my child to school if there is no bus available for them		48.8%	756
I will not drive my child to school. The bus is the only way for them to travel.		51.2%	793

Totals: 1,549

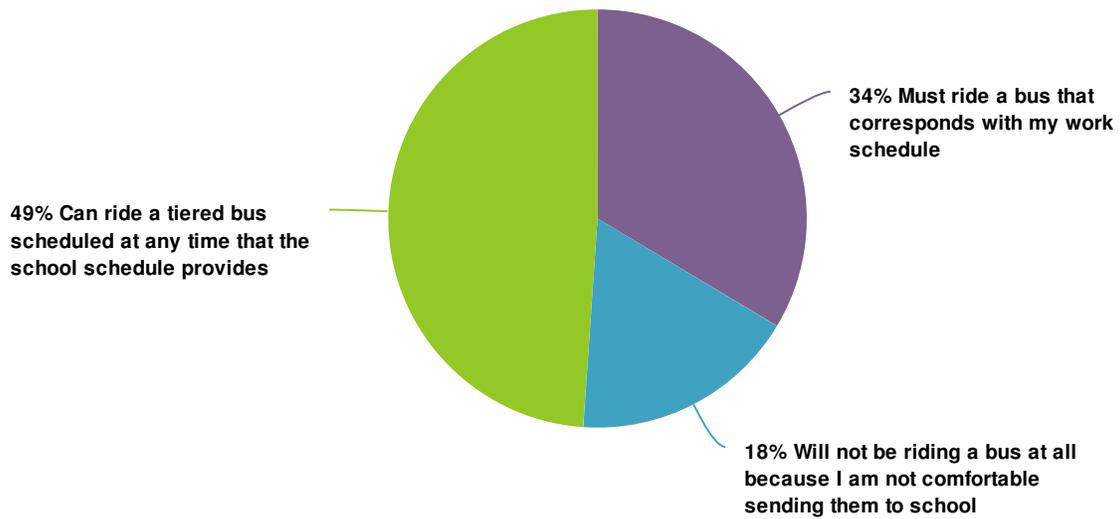
8. If tiered bussing is offered, my child/children:



Value	Percent	Responses
Must ride a bus that corresponds with my work schedule	32.9%	500
Will not be riding a bus at all because I am not comfortable sending them to school	17.5%	267
Can ride a tiered bus scheduled at any time that the school schedule provides	49.6%	755

Totals: 1,522

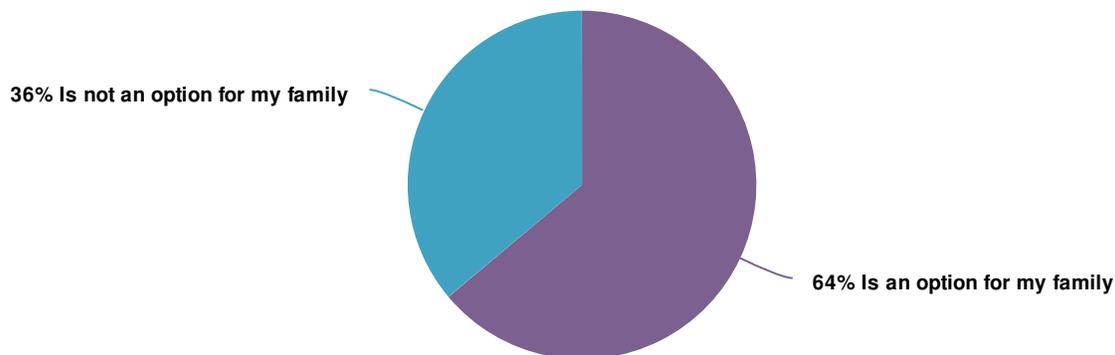
9. If alternate daily bussing is offered, my child/children:



Value	Percent	Responses
Must ride a bus that corresponds with my work schedule	33.6%	511
Will not be riding a bus at all because I am not comfortable sending them to school	17.5%	266
Can ride a tiered bus scheduled at any time that the school schedule provides	48.9%	744

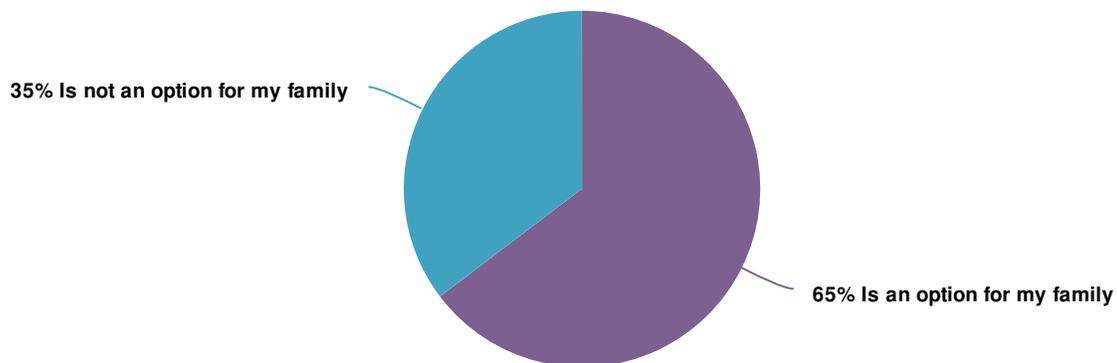
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## 10. Tiered bussing:



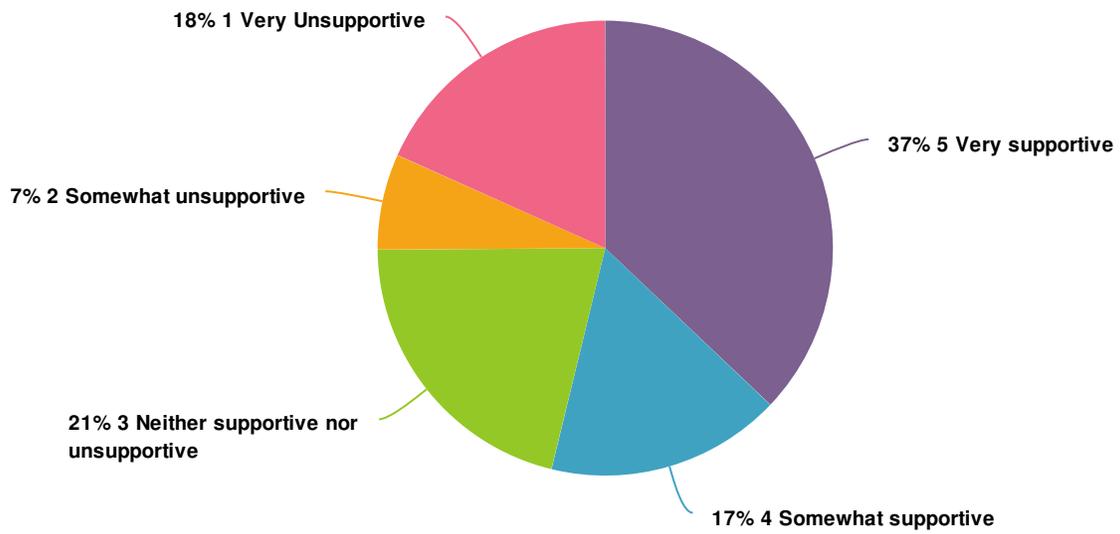
Value		Percent	Responses
Is an option for my family		63.9%	976
Is not an option for my family		36.1%	551
			<b>Totals: 1,527</b>

### 11. Alternate daily bussing:



Value		Percent	Responses
Is an option for my family		64.7%	989
Is not an option for my family		35.3%	540
			<b>Totals: 1,529</b>

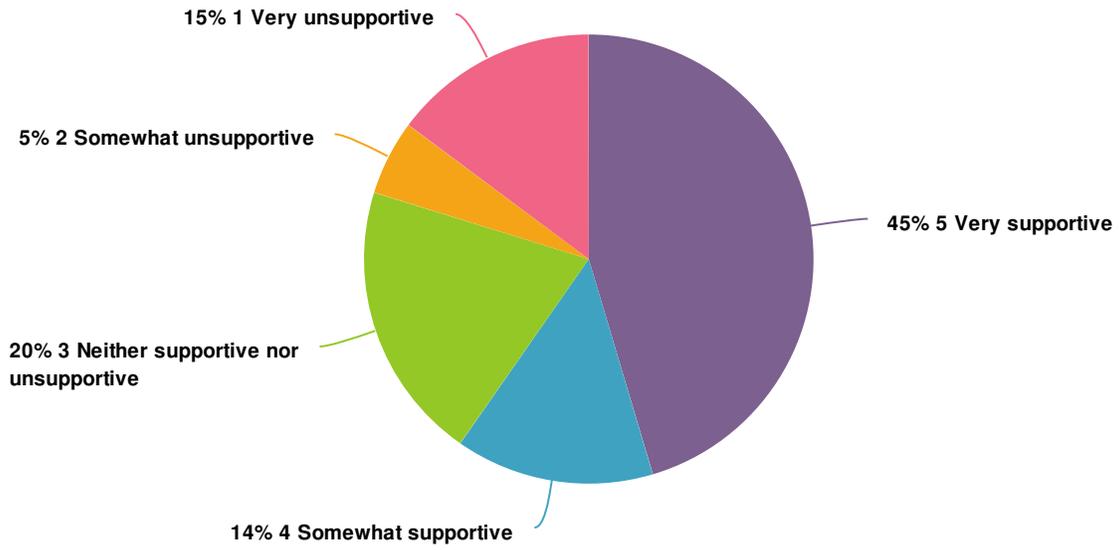
12. Are you in support of recording your child's temperature on Genesis prior to boarding the bus?



Value		Percent	Responses
5 Very supportive		37.1%	571
4 Somewhat supportive		16.7%	257
3 Neither supportive nor unsupportive		21.1%	324
2 Somewhat unsupportive		6.8%	105
1 Very Unsupportive		18.3%	282

Totals: 1,539

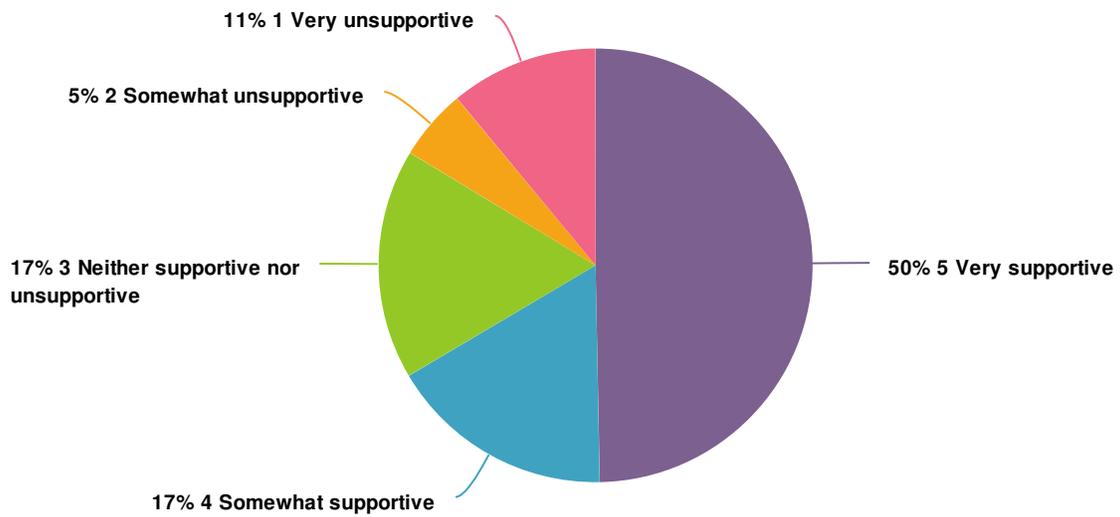
### 13. Are you in support of bus monitors monitoring social distancing at bus stops?



Value		Percent	Responses
5 Very supportive		45.4%	699
4 Somewhat supportive		14.3%	221
3 Neither supportive nor unsupportive		20.1%	310
2 Somewhat unsupportive		5.4%	83
1 Very unsupportive		14.8%	228

Totals: 1,541

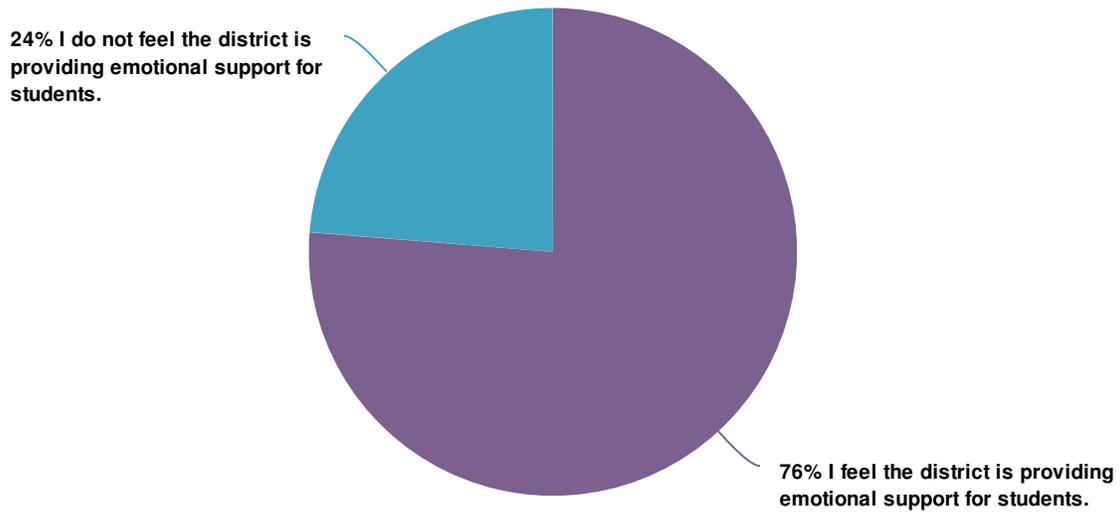
14. Are you in support of your child’s temperature being recorded when your child disembarks the bus prior to entering school?



Value	Percent	Responses
5 Very supportive	49.7%	767
4 Somewhat supportive	16.8%	259
3 Neither supportive nor unsupportive	17.2%	265
2 Somewhat unsupportive	5.3%	81
1 Very unsupportive	11.0%	170

Totals: 1,542

15. Given these approaches, please provide feedback to the following:



Value	Percent	Responses
I feel the district is providing emotional support for students.	76.3%	1,121
I do not feel the district is providing emotional support for students.	23.7%	349
		<b>Totals: 1,470</b>

16. What additional measures should the district be taking to provide emotional support or transition services to our students?



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2	I'm sure the school will have a good plan I place...
3	I think this is going to make the kids especially younger kids very anxious and develop anxiety if they are not allowed to carry on being children.
10	I will not send my children to school
16	I don't think our district is capable of dealing with or providing adequate anything regarding the severity of the COVID situation. I have very little faith they would be able to provide adequate precautions to open schools in September.
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21	None just get them back to school. Kids are so bored and not really learning as much, emotionally that's the challenge for them, going back to school is the easy part.
24	My son is very upset about not being in school
29	Counseling services and online information services for students.
32	Children with IEP's are getting no help no assistance that they are entitled to get I think this learning virtually from home is absolutely absurd and it's only crushing my child in his education process.
33	This survey is nonsense. I do not support face coveings, social distancing or alternate day bussing.

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35	I will not be sending my child to school of masks are necessary. It is unhealthy for kids (anyone) to be a wearing masks all day!
38	Well checks should be made for students who are not communicating with their teachers or turning in work.
39	Exactly how many counselors will be available in a school of 400 students? So maybe each student would get time every other month?
43	Maybe a 1:1 Zoom session with a guidance counselor to check in with the students as needed. I know we (and another student for sure) had an issue we would have liked to have been able to report on that were both specifically related to one teacher so we couldn't do anything about it and had to just get through the year with the daily frustrations she was causing us
44	More zoom classes for the younger kids
53	There needs to be a much better syllabus so the stress of knowing what is expected when is reduced. That was our major stress seeing Os and not even knowing there were assignments missed. Better teaching is better emotional support.
54	Not sure
57	General knowledge of covid and feelings of isolation.
63	Have access to psychologist at school, ask students what they feel and need.
66	I think the district has been doing an amazing job with that.
67	Hetting back to school and sports is emotional support and the kids need their life back like all of us do. We have to accept covid not run from it until a vaccine is developed
73	None
86	These questions are hard to answer when currently reopening does not allow parents that need to go back to work make arrangements when tey do not know that schedule yet.
99	Just open the school normally
101	Continue the current support in place and continue to strengthen it as needed.

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105 I feel that the hardest thing for the students was knowing if their work was submitted or not. There were some teachers that created a checklist and on Friday the students would not have additional work but instead check the list to see if there was any work missing. Another challenge the students had was the variety of different websites being used. Some sites required three times you had to check off to submit work. Many children struggled with this and intern had to do the work over again because they didn't follow all the steps to submit work. This became emotionally draining on my on kids as well as many others. The district should adapt a system that can address this district wide so no matter what grade the students are in they will see what work is not submitted and have time to submit. It was frustrating for students and parents. Also maybe use sides that save the work or in the daily instructions remind the students how many steps it takes to submit the work. One last point I do feel that it would be a good thing to have some live lessons to help the children learn. My 2nd grader winky did a zoom party and scavenger hunt but nothing that involved instruction. My 5th grader had two zooms a day. If the district implements my suggestions I feel like it will help the students emotionally well being and transition with online learning

108 Taking them out of school has been extremely disruptive to their learning. While virtual classes are a good bandaid it cannot continue. Second art, music all those electives need to go. I have enough on my plate teaching my children in different grade levels math science and English. I don't need some music or art teacher crawling up my butt bc my kid can't get to their assignments

113 I think you should consider keeping the children in a class room and have the teachers move through the halls changing class rather than the kids.

114 I actually find it more important for you to be supporting your staff and keeping their mental health up because they are the ones who interface with our children directly and will be responsible for maintaining our children's overall social emotional well-being. I am not into the idea of my child wearing a mask at school. There are many reasons why I feel this way, but if masks are mandatory that will be the one thing that stops my child going back to school. Plenty of data and research suggests that they do little, if anything to stop the spread of this disease and I feel that they are going to do more harm than good, as they will be a distraction and something that children are constantly fidgeting with and touching, which will lead to staff asking them to wash their hands constantly, or lead to the children feeling poorly about themselves because they are constantly being asked not to touch this foreign object on their face.

119 If parents are uncomfortable with sending their children to school with these conditions there should be some kinds of home schooling options

126 Zoom classes with personnel that they know and trust to prepare them for PPE and social distancing. These are important years for socialization at school and we are having kids do the opposite. They need reinforcement from people other than parents.

127 I am unsure at this time.

131 Lessons on why and how smaller, younger children should be wearing a mask, as I think most of them will have an issue doing so.

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132 Making sure kids have a good idea of what social distancing is. It is very hard to get them to understand or care, especially in large numbers. I also think my kids may experience anxiety if forced to wear masks all day. I'm not sure it's realistic to expect they will all leave them on.

133 If my child is required to wear a face mask and required to social distance, I will not be sending him back to school. This has gone on waaaaay too long and will undoubtedly be traumatizing to children, whose normal instinct is to gather closely with friends and play. Do you honestly think a face mask will stay on/be used properly by 5 and 6 year olds?? Ridiculous. Back to normal or nothing.

139 One on one FaceTime check ins with a counselor perhaps biweekly. Email is not a good judge of how they are doing.

142 They need to go back to school! They aren't learning the proper way and all the teacher's in each grade aren't doing the same things. Out of all three of my children only ONE had daily zoom meetings with his teacher and was asked if they needed anything. There was no emotional support for my second grader at ALL!

143 Just staying in contact with the children is the best anyone can do

144 I'm satisfied with the effort put forth by the VTSD.

145 Talk to kids about all precautions and changes during the time at school with support of parents doing it at home

153 Perhaps student ambassadors can help the student in need socially and academically. Maybe the SCA can get involved in helping the mentors get to the students via outside visits.

154 I do not want my child to go to school if they have to wear a mask. It will be uncomfortable and they will be barely able to breathe what child would want to wear a mask 7 or 8 hours all day. I am not supporting that. The bus arrangement is unnecessary I want the busses to have a regular schedule. Not some alternate days. I do not support this idea what's so ever. I will not be sending my child to school if its going to be like this.

157 I think there should be child-friendly digital tours of schools, busses, Classrooms, etc to explain the changes and requirements for each individual building prior to the start of the school year. Children need to be prepared for the changes they will encounter.

160 Teachers were still getting full salary but made little effort to ensure my child was actually learning during this time.

164 VTSD does not have enough qualified emotional support personnel nor can they afford it.

169 The district should heavily consider dual income families who have relied on daily schooling for their children in order to survive.

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175 None

176 I am concerned about the students who have been subjected to domestic violence since being stuck at home, spending more time playing violent video games and then going back to school and may display violent behaviors at school. I hope school staff will continue practicing the "Active Shooter" drills with the students.

180 I feel soft openings are crucial for all students and staff, this will be essential for our special needs population some of whom already struggled with the transition from a regular weekend back to monday.

183 The ability to learn from home if the student is uncomfortable in the school environment due to covid transmission concerns

185 Do not defund ESS program

194 Just allow them to return to a normal school schedule. There is no alternative.

197 From what I've followed on social media some of the parents need to be educated about epidemiology. There is a belief that this is being blow out of proportion and is not real, a hoax. They believe their rights are infringed by masks

204 My child has not needed motional support as of yet so I'm not sure what the school district even has to offer nor have I heard anything about anyone in need of emotional support who they should be even contacting.

205 None, not their responsibility

207 Streamline the PE program to take up one block of time instead if constantly interrupting their studies. Ensure that parents are receiving daily updates on what assignments are due AND what has been submitted. They should be informed of the communications. Possibly give each parent an email that gets automatic updates. Anything that will help the parents to ensure that the students are on track daily.

208 i think the district should make the "virtual" platform (chrome/pc programs such as schoology) more user friendly..it was hard for us to help our children with school work .. i don't recall seeing any emotional support on the platform..all i got was a text and email , from what i recall.

209 Wellness Videos

210 I feel that our children should go back to a normal school year in the fall. The only way to cure the emotional strain on these children is to resume school in the fall as normal. No masks, no online learning etc. It is the parents responsibility to keep children home if they are sick. It is the parents responsibility to provide emotional support.

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216	Relax attendance rules, within reason. Kids, just as adults for those of us who are essential workers (like I am), may need a day off from the stress of knowing that they are being put in a potentially dangerous situation every day. It wears you down. Trust me.
218	I don't know
219	Although the area covered are important we really need to start seeing how classroom will be managed And laid out and how schedules will be aligned to it.
220	Let the kids be kids. They will be more traumatized by these measures than what is acceptable for young children. The spacing, masks, etc... will be a hindrance to their learning and emotional growth.
226	Guidance counselors should be reaching out to every student
227	More class work and less homework my highschooler was doing work till midnight
228	Let's just hope they do not need to go back under these circumstances
236	The level of support, education standards and engagement varied so much this school year. Our experience with glen meadow was so mixed- some teachers provide lessons via a robotic type voice and featured little to no engagement or understanding (specifically 8th grade science was miserable!). Some teachers were understanding that this was hard for kids and some families were navigating a lot and kids had to have a bigger role in the home than they would normally.
240	Ask the students what they want and need
243	Counseling to student that require it.
245	No support is needed. Because I will not be sending my child back to the district if they have to be wearing a mask all day and secluded by themselves for lunch and activities. I will look into home schooling my children!
251	Students need the caring contact with their teachers. Parents work full time and cannot ensure their education is completed most parents are not teachers. And teachers with kids need to focus on their students not their own family.
255	Have counseling available
263	Make sure families aware of convenient, confidential supports available to them (other than teachers)
265	Weekly check ins with guidance counselors on an individual basis would be helpful to those students who may not feel comfortable reaching out on their own. A strong line of communication between guidance counselors and parents should also be established so that any emotional concerns that parents may have about their child can be directly and quickly addressed.

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266	I think you all are doing just fine. I want the kids to all get back to normal and go to school. The anxiety, depression and stress is far worse while these kids are kept away from school. Please let them come back. I work at the school and will do whatever possible to help them transition..
269	My child needs a tutor to do his work with him. If we are doing home schooling.
272	I would love to see a summer program (not related to emotional support but more just practical support, especially for the youngest population) explaining where, how to and the importance of wearing a mask.
277	I personally feel like if they have to wear masks they shouldn't be in the school.
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286	By not allowing the narrative to overwhelm the reality of the risks. If this virus is handled this way, why not for the flu? Or any other illness for that matter. Keep things in balance
292	Extra physical activity maybe a good idea. Either they are sitting home stagnant for 6-7 months or they've been running around wild. I believe that is going to effect them when they return. Especially if they end up not returning in September, but at a later date. More social time like recess and gym with organized sports should help. Also, handwriting, reading from actual books, etc will be good for them. A lot of kids didn't have to write with a pencil or read from a paperback book this whole time with things like Epic and typing constantly needed and/or available. But how can school possible be safe until a vaccine is found?
294	Supportive out reach from counselors and staff. We did not hear from anyone once during this academic school year in regards to how our child was doing with anything.
297	open lines of communication between teachers and students; teachers need to take a proactive role and reach out when they see a student disengaging or grades sliding.
304	I think that all grades k-5 should start earlier by 1-2 weeks so the younger kids can get closure. End of year parties, saying goodbye to teachers n friends
316	Available counselors if the child needs to speak to someone
317	None
320	I think the teachers are great and are supportive with their students. I feel emotional support system from the school aside from teachers was lacking.
325	Not keeping children away from their friends and kids will be more traumatized having to wear masks and emotional support will not help with at.

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334 Still allow children to play and have lunch. I do not feel comfortable sending my children to school if they will have to sit in cubicles all day and have no socialization. If that is the case why even send them? I would rather continue distance learning.

336 Extra hand sanitizer in classrooms

341 The children need recess time outside and to be able to eat with their friends at lunch and interact with one another. This is social isolation that will not be good for any of the students .

346 Offer counseling

349 In our case, we have a high risk situation in our household so not sure returning to school is an option if the situation isn't better by september.

355 Consistency is important. I don't think back and forth from in-person to virtual learning in a single week will be helpful. I think it would be beneficial to look at one week in and one week virtual.

357 None

364 Do not FORCE the younger children to wear a mask. Some may be very sensitive to anything on their face.

366 If any masks have to be worn, children should not be attending school. There is no emotional support that will make me or my children comfortable with that. Including having to stand 6 ft apart, etc.

379 If everyone's wearing face coverings

380 Some sort of anger management. The online schooling has brought out the worst

381 I think the children have gotten acclimated to an almost anti-social way of living bc of CoVid and the existent social norms due to social media/technology. It would be very beneficial for them to relearn proper communication skills & be encouraged to communicate directly with others verbally to establish connections! One of the biggest reasons we see so much mental illness is due to lack of connections with others. Connection is not made via emails/texts/likes/comments/etc.

383 Make students and parents comfortable that protocol is as good as possible in order for children to attend school. Children are also less likely to get severely ill from Covid-19 and that should be stressed as well.

389 Counselors should have been reaching out To children during distance learning. My children were able to adapt but still had quite a few breakdowns and needed additional support. They missed their teachers and peers. They need normal social interaction. Sports were cancelled, events cancelled, they struggled.

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393 Get school back to normal as soon as possible

401 Not necessary

410 I don't know

414 I will not send any of my three kids to school if they are required to wear masks or socially distance. That is not any way to educate a child. It is traumatizing and ineffective. Especially for my son who is supposed to enter kindergarten

420 No matter what emotional support you offer this type of torture will lead to lasting mental damages to our children. It's like putting a toy in front of them and telling them they can not have it. Look there's your friends but you can't play with them or socialize the way you once could. This is a horrible situation we are all in.

426 I think the schools do a great job. Possibly give parents the tools so that they can reinforce and enhance what the school is doing so that there is cohesion between home and school.

427 They build a relationship mostly with their teachers- so just a check in from the teachers to see if they are doing ok especially if they miss an assignment - just an email maybe

433 Better communication with parents

442 None

444 SEND TO SCHOOL, BUT CAN NOT EXPECT CHILDREN TO WEAR MASKS.

447 I think teachers need to do more zoom with the kids instead of giving them work that they have no idea what the hell they have to do

448 We just feel that the district should A) provide as much structure as possible (easy to follow, easy to understand, set routines - the SAME approach being taken by every teacher in a grade) and B) that teachers make themselves available as much as possible (within reason, such as during business hours and that, ideally, every teacher in a grade takes the same approach to how / when they are available.... easy to understand, easy to follow).

450 I am not sure what more you can do as a district remotely. I have reached out to an outside therapist seeking emotional support for my child as the stress of online learning with no breaks became too much for her to handle without support

457 Is this needed? Why do we get emotional support for?

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462	The district should have been providing more emotional support or transition services since March. They have not provided any to my knowledge. Therefore, I would like services such as reaching out to parents via telephone for students that are not doing well or missing assignments. I think more mandatory zoom classes would make the children feel more involved and there would be more accountability.
463	There needs to be more thought on how to handle special needs children. I have 2 children and one is diagnosed with asd and will not wear a mask how will this be handled
471	My son will need lots of help with this. He is adamant he will not wear a mask to school
472	Students shouldn't have to wear masks
477	I think once schools open back up their might be more stress on the kids so the need for support might be higher if kids have to wear masks at school.
482	None send the kids back
483	Communicate directly with parents on a case by case basis and create solution together.
492	I am having trouble filling out this survey, I feel there are too many unknowns at this point. My children have been in isolation. The only time they have worn a mask is visiting the doctor or dentist. I do not know if I will feel comfortable sending them on a bus.
494	I have no idea. I don't feel children should attend school in person until a vaccine is in place. It is very dangerous.
495	Clean the school buses more often. Lockers should be wiped down by students. Hand sanitizer machines inside or outside of classroom.
500	None
502	My child has not complained once about bullying since pandemic started. I'm expecting him to come home miserable once again when school starts.
511	Children should not be forced to wear a mask. That can be traumatizing for kids. This virus is way overblown and in my opinion is propaganda for election year!
513	Unknown
514	Perhaps more zoom classes to let children talk openly with an advisor and other children sharing how they feel. Maybe fun interactive zoom classes too to minimize the disconnect they feel to stay connected.
516	I give my kids more chores to keep them busy.

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517	Additionally I think there should be an extra school nurse / nurse assistant on location EVERY day to help with the additional issues related with covid -19, In case of emergencies, AWA students who have anxiety wearing masks or of the changes in school due to covid. There should also be additional support to teachers and Admin in leu of students who refuse to wear masks, follow social distancing guidelines, etc so that the children who are following the safety precautions feel safer (as can be). Maybe There should be a "CODE" COLOR / drill / procedure in place in case of emergency due to covid. (le- in addition to fire drills, lockdown, etc).
519	My son will be entering a new school going into 2nd grade, I would like there to be a safe way to provide an orientation to students & parents coming to Rolling Hills for the first time
522	Just allow the children to resume a normal school schedule with normal operations and quit scaring them. This is utterly ridiculous.
523	Direct person to person support.
532	At this point I really don't know what to suggest
533	I think social distancing in school is going to be extremely stressful for children and should really be reconsidered
534	My child will not wear a mask, how am I supposed to even think of sending my child to school?
536	None
538	Let the kids go to guidance whenever asked if they can do so
549	Not sure
562	My child, is having a hard time being in a mask for long than 45mins. My child says i cant breathe and start to cry. Like a panic attack.
575	I am not sure about the temperature taking having a stranger do that to the children. If they have to wear a mask to go to school but have to get used to wearing it.
583	Be aware that these potential protocols may emphasize or further harm students who do not have the resources or means to protect themselves. That means poor or underrepresented students may be MORE at risk and this may lead to more bullying or ostracizing of children.
588	They will need a whole new training for school
590	Vernon has not even reached out to me or my son about supporting him emotionally

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591 When a family has high risk adults, as well as elderly living in the home, sending students to public school is potentially extremely dangerous. The social isolation, emotional and psychological fear in this type of needed school setting is debilitating to student psychological and emotional health.

593 Do we need more emotional support?

594 Opportunity to meet with guidance counselors...as need be

598 I think you are doing a great job!!

610 Keep them home and don't waste the money. Having them go through school like this will do more damage. You already have online learning that is the best

612 My child has not told me about any support directly offered to her, so I'm not sure whether it has been or not. I have seen offers sent to the parents for the children. I think teachers should have had more virtual classroom time with students over the quarantine. Regular scheduled sessions, not sessions the children found out about at 830 in the morning for 10am. More structured

614 Remote classes should be more consistent with zoom like meetings scheduled.

620 Teachers discuss how things are different, allow students to share feelings, provide additional counseling for students who need it, explain reasoning for changes i.e. wearing masks. Do activities that encourage interaction in classrooms even if it is with social distancing

626 The district should only use websites that the students are familiar with at this time and link those sites on their schoology message each day. There was a lot of frustration with the work which causes emotional issues as well as students giving up on their work.

628 Most of the lessons were notes or short videos. I was literally my son's 6th grade teacher, and my daughter's fourth grade teacher. The teachers should have more live classroom sessions. The teachers should also make sure to let the students know they are available for a 1 on 1 zoom meeting if needed. I am proud to have been their teacher. They both did better because I was able to proofread their written assignments, go over math equations that they didn't understand, etc... But, I did too much. The teachers need to be more in touch with their students, even it's a once a week live zoom meeting.

635 When assignments aren't being submitted teachers should reach out to the students or parents; to be supportive and help if needed.

642 Please keep in mind students with high risk family members at home.

643 Not sure

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650 Quit with this virus hoax and get back to teaching the children. Masks are not healthy for children or adults to be wearing all day.

651 None

652 I can't think of anything at this time. Mrs. Green did an excellent job of checking in and providing resources for CM students.

653 ldk

654 Disinfecting desks, bathrooms, providing hand sanitizer.

668 I don't have anything to say, it's hard to put into words. I feel children will be afraid of day. I feel they are so young to fully understand why they can't be with or talk to their friends. School from home was hard but i feel this situation will be harder in many ways.

672 Have their guidance counselors reach each and have a chat with each student via zoom or phone

674 They try but my 16 year old can not learn online Only. He must be in a classroom. He needs to go back. He will fail without the structure.

677 I am really not sure

685 Do a set time for online school classes

695 They need to be physically in their school building not remote.

701 based on the size of our district, faculty and employees I do not see it possible to social distance in classrooms, hallways or busses. If school resumes in person learning or create alternate schedules what kind of cleaning services can you guarantee will sanitize every area and how can students engage properly wearing facemasks for hours at a time.

703 Have an option available for students to choose whether they attend physically or virtually or both. Some students are excelling at virtual instruction as the anxieties of being with peers is no longer an issue. Some students will have anxiety about the new in person learning restrictions in relation to social distancing.

711 I believe that schools should not be opening up until a vaccine or cure is available. We should continue online learning.

717 no additional comments

724 Socialization!

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732	Teachers should reach out and do a one on one every week to see how the child is doing. They may not be comfortable expressing in a conference setting with the whole class
734	Not sure at this point. I believe they have been doing a good jib thus far
736	distance counseling
738	My kids are emotionally doing pretty well, however I do have friends whose children are struggling a bit more. I feel that teachers or staff could personally reach out and talk to the parents to give them tools to help their children better cope with the situation. If parents don't have the skills to cope, the children won't either. They have to be open to it though which is a whole other issue.
743	None I can think of
744	Daily therapy sessions
747	Having the children go back to school and back to normal life. At home learning is not an option for my child. Children with special needs require a school setting in order to learn . My child has regressed tremendously. He was already developmentally and emotionally behind . For his issues , returning to school normally would be the best emotional support for him
762	Stop over reacting. It's the flu. Fear is being driven into the hearts of children via the media, government, and schools. Manage and measure responses. This is not a crisis unless you make it one.
763	I think that teachers should do a one on one video conference or zoom with each child once a week so they have the opportunity to speak with them individually without the entire class.
767	Go back to normal
768	Periodic required check-ins with appropriate guidance counselors. Perhaps 1x per week or every other week.
769	Kids need to be in school. Maybe not everyday, but they need daily interaction with teachers and students.
770	Perhaps more surveys/feedback of families as September approaches.
774	get back to normal
778	Make it easy for the student to get and not be a noticeable thing
792	Possibly guidance lessons weekly.

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798	Don't make it weird and the kids won't need someone to tell them that weird is "normal".
803	Open forums With professionals for the students to discuss fears or concerns with in a group setting.
805	To continue to educate the students and remind them of how the situation is put in place for their safety and others.
806	I feel there was no emotional support or transition services available..I feel the district should have the teachers engage with the parents via telephone frequently if their child isn't doing their work and failling. Emails get skipped or not seen until its too late to catch up..Provide mandatory zoom meetings.
807	More staff availability to assist with navigating online learning, as I do not feel the current format is user friendly. Too many links to search through to get to the required assignments.
809	Perhaps put together a mini cartoon type video cast for younger kids to watch. Show from getting on the bus during a tier schedule and typical "new" kind of day would go.
822	Open office hours for students during the day. Ability for parents to schedule one-on-one sessions themselves with the trauma officer to discuss concerns they may have surrounding their childrens well being.
826	Student's that are in need of an aid for the duration of classes, how will they be supported? If the 6' rule is not able to take place due to their need? What does the school have in place for those situations?
830	Students need to be more closely monitored. I felt that at the end of this school year, faculty was tired and struggling themselves and were not supportive of struggling students.
833	more one on one contact with the students. i don't feel there was enough support even before Covid.-teachers and guidance need to be more in touch with the students and get to know their needs,
834	Our HS guidance team has been amazing, and the teachers very accommodating. If remote instruction continues, I would like to see mandatory, virtual, daily real class time, even if it were shortened. My HS child needs at least a little structure for his emotional well being.
843	Explicit info on who guidance is, email and office location
846	N/A
849	none

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852	<p>My HS student mentally lost it during the closure. She is a student athlete who failed her gym class this marking period because she could not handle it. I only found out about this as they year was ending. My daughter reached out to her teacher explaining what she was going through but was told there was nothing that could be done and that overall for the year her grade was good. While that is true, why would a teacher allow continued zeroes for a student that normally excels in a class and not follow up. I worked continually through the closure and could not manage this daily. The teacher should have recognized this and reached out.</p>
858	<p>I think VTHS provides good support.</p>
860	<p>Therapy group</p>
862	<p>My child is not in school yet - she will be attending kindergarten in the fall</p>
864	<p>Continue to do virtual schooling and prevent any child from contracting this virus. Reach out to sll parents and see if any one needs help.</p>
867	<p>Open school back up</p>
868	<p>This is so hard because this is uncharted territory for us all. Kids need socializing and interaction to determine their place in this world. Face coverings and social distancing are interpreted to them as an unsafe environment. Treating all places and people as possibility for infection although may be necessary at this time, is not cognitively healthy for our youth. I wish I had a better answer or suggestion.</p>
873	<p>None, we are located in Sussex, the China flu is not bad for children.</p>
877	<p>It sounds like what you've outlined is a great first step. I don't think I have any other recommendations because we have never had to deal with a situation like this before.</p>
879	<p>Teacher need to have some one on one time with children who have iep's</p>
880	<p>Having the teachers, case managers, guidance counselors contact students while remote learning. This would help students feel better knowing they care about their wellbeing and making sure they understand how to do the school work. We do not feel comfortable sending our 2 children to school if face covering need to be worn. When school opens our 4th grader will have a difficult time finding classrooms and opening lockers. She would not be able to remember her locker combination to keep her books in never mind a gym locker to remember.</p>
885	<p>Giving students the opportunity to talk about the ir feelings about what is happening.</p>
890	<p>Try not to single children out</p>

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891	Training to teachers to identify students who may be in need of emotional support but do not readily share that they do. Grading is concerning in these instances because once a child begins to have difficult is often hard for the child to make significant changes in their grades before semesters end or support is given. We need to stop relying so heavily on children to manage this, and outreach more with parents so that a team approach to meeting the needs of the child is given.
903	Would be great if teachers did more than post digital worksheets as homework. It's not teaching, they aren't learning and this fantasy that Gym and Music are needed while they are at home is laughable.
907	Weekly counseling for all students
917	Difficult to identify during this time
919	Tell them life isn't fair and get on with the program. We don't need emotional support due to covid-19. That just ensures we are raising a weak generation.
944	I just believe that children need more live sessions with teachers. Its is so important that if we still have to conduct school in a virtual format, children get to see teacher's faces, hear their voices and be able to properly communicate at least 1-2 times/week. Screencasts of just voices does not help elementary students emotionally. They do not feel a connection and disengage in work.
948	Mental health services
949	School is emotional support
951	I think a trained professional (school counselor/ child life therapist) should be meeting weekly with every child, especially the younger ones. Their worlds were completely turned upside down and they probably don't understand half of what's been going on. They are scared and confused as well as trying to navigating learning in a strange manner.
954	6feet
963	Enforcement of social distancing rules so all of the students feel safe. If students are taking off masks in study halls or while moving through the halls, my son will not feel comfortable.
965	I do not feel that the children should return until things get back to normal. This is too restrictive for them.
966	None
973	The option to take on-line learning vs in class learning should be made to families if NJ COVID rules remain in effect (ie: social distancing, masks, temperature taking).

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975 They should also make the services available to the parents.

976 The school nurse should be able to test a child that shows any symptoms at all.

979 Lunches/breakfasts and physical activities

980 Having conversation with the students on a daily basis to make sure they are good

981 I believe it would be a good idea to check in on students periodically, By via email or text. As most HS students are alone and working independently on all their school work . Especially the IEP students such as my son . He has had almost no support besides his brother and myself to guide and help him stay On task .

987 None

989 Regular contact with the families

995 I just do not see how we can keep them all safe/ healthy in a school bus/ classroom environment. There are not enough safety measures we can enforce on children. I am in favor of home schooling as we started in March as opposed to reopening until a vaccine is on board.

1001 Improve online learning to make it more navigable for all. Record teacher instruction. Not live, but as a recording for parents and kids to rewatch as needed to better understand material and assignments. Any websites teachers direct students to utilize should be n subject page. Check mark automatic when assignments are complete. Develop program.so all subjects will conform in one format. This will make online less confusing for all.

1003 A program needs to be put into place where the kids are being taught with their classmates daily with each teacher for at least 2hrs a day, and not just a 20 min call to go over what is posted on schoology for them to do each day. Having live teaching with the teacher and kids will help keep the kids emotionally stable by seeing and interacting with each other and the teachers daily. Vernon put no official program together for learning, it was a free for all. Some teachers did try and others did nothing. My child got a C in music for 4th qtr, and was submitting in assignments which were not being received, while other assignments were not being posted. The teacher never reached out to me once. Homeroom teachers advised they did not have time to notify parents and/or the child if an assignment was missing as they were too busy managing 40 kids...not acceptable. Vernon needs to consult with neighboring districts that had excellent online programs for their students to learn and keep as normal as possible so that the emotional impact was less on kids.

1004 I think they need to find more hands on methods of learning, specifically for younger children. Age Appropriate workbooks, craft projects, etc. they need something to keep their interest level up. It is very difficult to keep younger children eager to learn. It started off good, and was a fight after the first few weeks

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1007	Continue virtual learning until it is completely safe for the children to resume regular schooling. If health & safety is a concern, they should not be at school.
1010	No masks. Child cannot wear one for 8 hours. Just keep schools clean, hand washing. Parents must keep sick children home. Masks worn on busses. Disinfect bus after every group
1011	The students honestly need to be in school and not under duress with remote learning, this may be ideal for some children but for others this has been a complete culture shock.
1013	Kids with mental health issues will need extra measures provided. They cannot cope with changes and the worry or anxiety that a simple temperature being taken will bring. They will fear being judged or singled out, if they are placed in a quarantine or taken to a separate place if a temp is high.
1027	Open discussions about covid -19 and real information from medical professionals and not the news. The risk for students under 18 to contract an illness is extremely low and students should be informed .
1030	My son will not wear a mask. He had to wear a mask for a well visit apt with his doctor and it was VERY traumatizing for him. The doctor actually had me remove his mask because of the breakdown he was having about it. If masks are required I will not be able to send my son into school unfortunately because of that incident and his doctor instructing me to keep him home until he is comfortable with wearing one. Thank you for your understanding.
1032	Getting back to some normalcy
1035	More organized zoom meetings for social groups/classes
1039	More should be available for the students who need to reach out
1041	If home school is the future, I would like to see a full classroom time for each zoom. Not just touch and go. I thought the zoom for this school year was too short. Social Studies, Math and Language Arts should be as if they were actually in the classroom for the proper time allotted. The remainder of this past school year would have been so much more successful if more teacher time was implemented.
1042	N/A
1044	N/A
1045	Let the children go to school so they can socialize with friends and teachers. Staying home is not good for mental health of students
1049	You will be emotionally destroying my children by making them wear masks all day and not being allowed to socialize with their friends.

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1052 I have not seen any action taken.

1057 Distance Learning is extremely difficult for my child with a learning disability. She gets extremely frustrated and overwhelmed which her teachers are not aware of. I would like to see more focus on group activities to check in on emotional well-being over academics.

1069 Infusion of SEL curriculum

1070 Maybe reach out to the children once and a while? Maybe the current approach is different than from above, but my child has not heard once from her guidance counselor since school has gone remote. Is anyone managing these people?

1074 I feel for small children like K or first grade it is going to be hard with them touching their masks a lot. I would suggest in classroom, make them wash hands more and be a little more lenient with masks for them.

1075 all staff should be encouraging children - not just someone they might not know

1079 In all honestly I will not be answering this question because it is absurd. Our children need to be in school in order for them to get the proper educational learning but I will absolutely not subject my children to wearing a face mask daily which in fact is even more harmful to them than will I subject them to being practically in a lab where you are constantly monitoring their temperatures or how they are to use a bathroom.

1080 I think more live/zoom class would make the kids feel more connected

1082 All teachers should have google meets if remote learning occurs again. Students were sent home on a Friday to learn that they would not see their teacher again this year.

1084 I am a parent of a special needs preschooler who has made tremendous progress over his time in VTSD, but we have now seen nearly all of it lost to regression. I am of the firm opinion that with the proper measures, as described in this survey, school could be reasonably safe for all students, BUT I would like to draw the district's attention to the special needs kids in particular. My child cannot possibly benefit from virtual instruction, as I suspect may be the case for his peers. If there is any way to accommodate an in-person opening for the special needs students, please find it - I fear permanent damage to my child's progress otherwise.

1090 I think videos in class or virtually might help to teach the younger children about what is happening.

1092 All 3 of my children were barely contacted by the school & teachers the last 3 months of school

1097 Contacting the student one to one plus more zoom meetings to chat. This was a very difficult time for the outgoing student to have very little interaction with teachers.

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1100 Helping them to understand the importance of social distancing and wearing a mask.

1101 If we have to stay home teachers should have live lessons and actually teach. Neither of my 2 children had teachers who did that. They assigned busy work and offered no support. Children with learning disabilities need to have the assistance they need to be successful. That definitely was not considered during the last few months. Having a child with ADHD and trying to get them to read a chapter and answer questions is about as close to impossible as you get.

1105 open forum conversations with the students and parents.

1111 This is dumb. If you guys pull ANY of this im pulling my kid out of vernon until you get some sense back. Give the kids their childhood back.

1113 More FaceTime between teacher/staff and students.

1114 Making sure that the children feel comfortable wearing masks and are comfortable with going to school during this pandemic.

1118 I don't know

1134 The clear updates and concise directives are most important as we approach your decisions for September. Thank you for your hard work.

1136 Be more available

1148 I think parents needs more proofs that the schools will b doing what they saying a they will to keep our children safe

1151 Masks will make my child fidget and touch his face more. Emotional support should only be provided for students who have lost someone because of the virus, just like another death. Keeping them home will not provide an education regardless of "emotional support"

1155 information disseminated should be factual and scientific. There is too much in the media that is making it seem like precautions are not as necessary as previously. Children need a balanced approach on the seriousness and the ability to stay safe if precautions are observed. Not every parent realizes this.

1157 Let the kids be kids and don't make it weird for them.

1159 None, I feel like our children should be able to go back to a normal al school day

1163 You have to explain what is going on and not hide it.

1164 None. This is not a serious threat and therefore does not require some hack to speak to my child.

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1171	Put them back.in school let them be around their friends and habe a normal life
1172	I think group chats amongst the students in smaller breakout groups w a teacher/counselor to serve as a facilitator will prob encourage the kids to open up about how this has affected them.
1181	Ways the children can virtually engage in clubs, games, social skills .
1183	Your over thinking this. They'll be fine
1188	I'm not sure. I need to think about this before I answer.
1191	I feel the district has been very supportive of students and parents.
1197	None, if my child needs therapy I'll take them to a therapist of my choice.
1205	Finding ways to adhere to the IEPs for those students that need a structured school environment and assistance that virtual learning does not provide for.
1207	More counseling services offered to any students
1209	Have a counsel available for children who need to talk.
1215	Availability for counseling, coping tools
1216	Honestly, I am not sure yet. It is hard to know what the effects will be. And it's hard to know what September will bring.
1219	None
1225	none
1232	My daughter is little so know there is A "virus" but not totally aware. In stores we wear masks but she is not really affected. Thanks for asking though!
1233	Emotional support is more of the how things are administered. As I know many are eager to get back into school. Wearing masks for an extended period are very uncomfortable and I am not certain it will be easy to get students to follow this guideline which will be very upsetting for those who actually follow the rules. Counseling can't help with this in my opinion. Please consider the below as an option: Virtual options for class attendance with interaction and facilitation. Mandatory group assignments, virtual face to face tutoring, virtual face to face clubs not just work assignments posted.
1235	What is described in the plan sounds like it can work.
1237	Therapy for children

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1238	I am supportive of returning to school with everything being normal. Plans for temperatures, masks, alternate bussing being planned if there is another SUBSTANTICAL Covid-19 outbreak.
1242	It seems that the district is providing enough support
1251	Getting the kids who are involved in sports, clubs and extra activities back to their groups and teams is vital for the well-being of all of these kids. They need to see and interact with other their own age to help them know they are not alone and can have some sense of normalcy return.
1252	Young kids can't wear the masks; my daughter wore a mask for 10 min to get her new bike. It was uncomfortable, and she couldn't breathe. She then didn't want to ride the bike that day because wearing the mask ruined her mood
1253	I think there should be more efforts to talk with the children, more outreach to the children
1258	You need to get your heads out of your butt, we have been dealing with this since day one my wife is a nurse and I was a EMT and didn't complaining like you do.
1260	I honestly think the school should make it as normal as possible for kids. Don't go too crazy on trying to keep kids separateD or make kids wear their masks. If it comes down to it. kids won't like going to school. That's an emotional support . Kids should be kids.
1268	According to the situation we would like the return to school be the most normal as possible.
1271	My child has sensory issues and asthma and will NOT be wearing a mask.
1272	Making sure all students are aware and comfortable with it.
1278	More flexibility with deadlines for classwork.
1289	Mandatory daily talks with the counselors, meditations & yoga to ease anxieties
1291	I feel some teachers have been unsupported with understanding of internet and computer issues.
1293	Guidance counseling offered to students regardless of virtual learning. I have not seen anything mentioned about counseling
1294	I'm not sure, but I don't see any emotional support being given. Maybe have zoom meetings with guidance like when they would have meetings in school.

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- 1296 I'm sure that the experts already have a plan in place for this but...when the kids do go back to live learning, I think its important to reiterate to them the facts about the virus and the evidence-based science behind infection control. Not only would this help the kids to be on the same page - and also feel confident in a "game plan" to keep each other safe - but it could help to relieve some of the anxiety that everyone will be feeling. As an anxious person myself, I know that when I feel well-informed with facts, when I feel prepared, and when I have trust in those around me, my anxiety is likely to subside.
- 1297 HS teachers need to be more compassionate when dealing with students.
- 1299 Show and ensure to the kids that it is safe to be there if it truly is. Otherwise allow kids to continue their school work from home and have small groups scheduled a couple days if the week for continued socialization until the states numbers prove the safety of our students.
- 1302 I don't feel the school needs to provide emotional support. My child comes to me with any emotional support needed.
- 1304 Try to figure how can kids get together in class or friend in the classroom so they don't lose relationships between friends in the classroom. Not everyone get to be with a friend some kids are alone all the time with their parents.
- 1309 I believe this is a learning process for all. The district is doing everything they can that would help the kids adapt. I think as a society we know how to comfort and provide support. If parents wouldn't make such a big deal about wearing a mask, then the child would not either.
- 1310 Have personnel who actually reads the students emails. Especially when there's an issue. My child sent an email to the counselor saying: I am not well and I am struggling. The reply: hi! I am glad you're doing so well! Have a great day!
- 1312 Not having masks worn by kids! My kid will NOT wear a mask all day!!!! There are some measures to social distancing but putting them in the risk of wearing a mask, is emotionally draining itself.
- 1317 My son needs to be in school. Teachers need to be more sensitive to students needs.
- 1320 I can not really reply...I have no clue
- 1325 No idea, more live classes. My kids rarely had virtual classes not making them accountable for their presence
- 1327 Routine check ins with students. Some are not comfortable taking the initiative seeking assistance with emotions.
- 1330 Maybe the teachers should put grades in immediately or tell the students when they have missed an assignment so that it can be made up in a timely way.

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1334 I cant think of abything that they are not already doing.

1340 Checking in with parents more. Scheduling locker pickups potential graduations at times that working parents can attend

1360 I don't know. I think that we need to continue to evolve how digital learning is dispatched. Each child has different needs. I know my child had a hard time getting especially in classes that teachers shared submitted work with the class. My child is not comfortable in that scenario.

1371 Figure it out like the rest of the country is trying to or my daughter will be using her chrome book throughout 2021 or longer.

1374 Covid 19 transmission education

1377 I feel all steps are being taken as of now for emotional support for our children.

1378 Nothing further

1379 Have a psychiatrist at school so when the kids get scared from wearing a mask and thinking they're going to die every day

1381 Wait till there is a vaccine to open

1386 They have been providing emotional support. Almost too much as my email is clogged between 3 schools-lol!

1389 None I feel everything you have in place is very good

1390 They need to help the children adjust better and have group meetings or individual meetings to make sure the children are mentally safe and comfortable

1394 Kids want to be around other kids. Closing the schools and not letting kids interact with each other is not being emotional supportive. Playground are also closed. Parents cant work because they dont have child care.

1398 .

1407 Sanitizing all the surfaces in kids class and let them using hand sanitizer

1413 School psychologist and or social workers to help students cope with the changes in the environment

1420 The online virtual learning for the high school must be addressed. It was a very teach yourself approach, with some video use, but a lack of teacher engagement (except for one). More structure and teacher presence is needed. Students cannot be left to themselves virtually with little support or interaction with their peers.

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1421	I don't feel there will be enough support and that this will over power the time actually spent teaching and learning.
1422	The virtual learning was extremely difficult and frustrating for my children. I hope it is not necessary in the fall.
1434	Kids need to be social in clubs sports etc.
1442	Not sure at this time
1443	N/A
1449	The district should require teachers to teach on-line each day from 8-1 for example or 9-2 etc, if remote learning should continue this fall. We only received about 2 hours of teaching time per week for this past marking period in 4Th grade which was unfair to all involved.
1453	Giving students the opportunities to practice daily mindfulness.
1454	I do not think it will be emotionally supportive or appropriate for young children to be required to sit in one seat all day long, without moving, getting hands-on learning, playing, and social interaction. I fear this will have major effects on their emotional, social, and overall development. It is also not medically healthy for anyone, let alone young children, to wear a mask for hours at a time each day. I understand that precautions need to be taken and safety of everyone should be a top priority. But I believe such strict procedures will do more harm than good
1464	I think the district is doing a great job
1465	Give out hot spots.. for families that don't have internet services. Have more information on that.
1470	Transitioning or orienting to a new school setting, where no orienting has taken place.
1472	ldk
1479	If you hire 1 person to address the needs of 50 kids that need support it will never work. Maybe implement a class.or program that runs school year long that teaches/offers guidance to the children on how to cope throughout this time.
1487	I think the district is doing fine for me nd my chill's needs at this time.
1489	I believe that if the parents can provide a safe and effective environment for distance learning, then that should be an option. Wearing a face mask and being told to stay six feet apart is difficult for children, especially while trying to learn. It would be more difficult for my family to adhere to all guidelines properly than to have me and my husband continue distance learning.

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1493 Disinfecting the school everyday would be good , and having a nurse or 2 checking kids all day and walking around making sure every kid is following the rules , taking their temos, and just providing little hand sanitizers and tissues and gloves and make for the kids each day..

1496 I think full virtual school is making my child regress. Even if the kids went one week on one week off - it would be better than what we're doing now. Please emphasize hand washing as you already do

1506 My oldest son is terrified of getting sick he won't use his hands for anything anymore and can't stand to wear a mask for 5 minutes I have no idea how this can be supported

1509 Having professionals available all day, everyday in every single school who are well-qualified in mental health practices and know what to look for and how to help the students is needed, "trauma-trained" isn't enough.

1514 Teachers or a friendly face that the kids know should have scheduled 1 zoom with each child of the school. The class zoom is ok but kids needed that 1 on 1. Even if the specialty teachers offered weekly sign ups with their regular teachers many students would have had support.

1515 In our county, from what I observed, seems many families are not taking this virus at it's full seriousness. I think it would be helpful to help kids understand why such severe measures are impacting their lives.

1519 The district needs to check in with their students. Not just a pod cast for those who may watch it. Not just be available during a certain time but being proactive and contacting students. More then just emails and blog posts.

1526 Let the kids live normal lives, that includes no masks and no social distancing.

1531 My daughter was in ESS and I'm very upset to hear the glen meadow took it away from the students who really needed it. My daughter is one of the students that depended on having extra support at school my husband and I are not hpppy

1535 Measures previously stated should be adequate.

1536 I think that a lot of these guidelines take away what most kids love about school. The further into this survey I get the more I think I may want to keep my children home and do virtual learning. I'm not sure how you can emotionally support being near your friends but not really. I understand guidelines may be essential right now, but my children are nervous about school and would themselves prefer to stay home.

1540 More classroom style Zoom instruction. Teacher verbally and visually teaching, and all the students being "seen" on screen with the teacher having the muting ability. My daughter is an only child. She struggled emotionally with face to face disconnect. Despite getting straight As, this marking period was hard on her but having consistent face time with her teachers and classmates.

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1541 Cannot think of anything else

1546 Extra staff of counselors

1547 Keep informing the students about doing their participation in taking care of themselves by watching their hands

1548 Counselors or case workers should check on the kids. Specially if they have an IEP or 504 since the stress is double.

1559 Counseling sessions

1570 Im not sure what is available now. Fortunately I don't think my child is any need of emotional support regarding this situation. He has adapted very well.

1587 More in depth cleaning and disinfecting measures taken on a daily basis.

1588 The district should make a plan for students be online schooling

1589 Unsure

1590 I hope they create plans as japon and china are doing now with options for social distances as marks on the floor, eliminate: hugging, holding hands, talking close and more, plus being in contact with the families of each student checking if someone is symptomatic or sick.

1593 Making learning fun again. With all the changes the students should be engaged and met at their levels in order to enjoy learning again. Making learning exciting and fun again will distract them from the all day masks, distance from their friends and lack of interaction.

1596 I would like to see our children taking more time to interact virtually, via zoom. They miss being together.

1598 Someone is always available to talk.

1599 Homeschool.

1600 More frequent training for hand wash with supervise to all students; repeatedly educate students to keep their germ to them self (don't think it's ever possible) until they comply; if kids need masks to go to school, it's wrong time!

1607 The teachers are being paid to work from home. Half the time they are unavailable, if they are supposed to be working their hours, why can't they response within the school hours. It can take up to 24 hours for them to email back.

1612 It's really difficult to answer. Depends on age

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1615	I can't give a realistic answer, my last/only child in the district was not negatively impacted during these times. She has done well and I think virtual was just fine.
1620	Black Lives Matter needs to be discussed
1635	More sessions on zoom over the summer to explain to the kids what is going on and how to stay safe. Also how to deal with their feelings
1637	Less work, so the students can ease into live learning.
1638	Extra cleaning of desks/shared supplies :)
1640	None
1643	Children should be more well informed about measures being taken for their safety other than from what parents are telling them.
1648	To send to our kids more information about this COVID-19 Procedure
1649	Go to school. No masks . Get back to normal.
1651	Start somewhere. At this time, there's been none to our knowledge
1660	Follow up with the children to ensure they are transitioning well and aren't facing any issues with new policies & procedures
1662	All Teachers And specialty teachers (math, reading,art, music, and Pe) should've held zoom classes with each class weekly and taught anything. Teachers should have held 3kids on a call per day and taught a math lesson weekly, reading, or writing. Some teachers excelled and were doing 2 daily recorded lessons. Zoom calls were ok with the classes but smaller groups would've been more productive. Yes this sounds like a lot but all these teachers are needed by students. Seeing them would've made the world of difference. Having someone teach them virtually and not link after link in slides. All the teachers in the building collected pay checks. Next year it better be different these children have been set back. We are and have done our best to keep them moving forward with learning .
1663	I think that broader options for facilitating working parents once the scheduling has begun. Realizing that working parents leave the district between 6:30-8, and opening school doors earlier to accommodate tiered bussing for working parents would be hugely helpful. Past that, I think that the emotional support should extend from just counselors to teachers as well. These children need the social support that was taken away from them this year. Finding a way to have them be able to be in the school buildings, with their friends, and able to socialize is equally important to their wellbeing as their learning is.

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1667	Nothing! Just bring them back to regular classrooms. They need to socialize - they are missing out on key developmental areas. To ease those who are worried, take temps each day if necessary.
1673	N/a
1677	I think continuous communication about the thought process and regulations would give us the ability to discuss things as a family and help our children adapt.
1679	Actually teach the science with data behind the reasoning for these actions.
1681	I think the district has been doing a fine job. I just need my kid to go back to school like everyone else does to keep our household running more normal.
1692	Open the school
1698	I don't think there is any additional support need for this non-pandemic. My child should go to school every day that school is capable to go as online school is not a viable method for him to learn.
1701	There has to be a better way for counselors/teachers to get in touch with student. Very few scheduled face time (zoom) calls and when they did it was multiple classes together. There's no way to judge how the students are doing. And they would become so chaotic my daughter would log off.
1705	Group activities, assemblies, peer-related & interactive support for ALL students, not only those expressing difficulties in Virtual, self-study; most likely the social extroverts who are challenged by these times of extreme isolationism, out of their social routines beyond the academic struggles which are evident in grades alone. Provide a collective opportunity for emotional support for all students regardless of ability to adapt academically so that those who are struggling do not feel even more ostracized, inferior or incapable of keeping up
1731	They need to do more on line check in or make a video the kids could watch to ensure they are emotionally connected to school virtually. Mrs Jenkins in Glen Meadow did a wonderful job showing her face daily. Made my child feel connected to school
1732	to be flexible to the overall needs of the students and their families during this time
1740	All teachers should have some sort of training in this area as there will not be enough coordinators to assist all students who need it.
1746	Having teacher's reach out to parents if there is more than 1 or 2 missing assignments especially if it's an important assignment, that will effect their final grade. Some parents are okay with C's. Some are not. Parents can't be expected to tally up each grade, each day or week, for each kid, in each class using Genesis.
1753	Teachers need to have more face time with students.

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1755	The district could hold a course or courses for the parents on how to manage home schooling, emotions, changing schedules, not seeing friends, etc.
1756	All teachers should have been and if necessary going forward, be required to meet with their students at least twice a week. It is crucial for instruction as well as student SEL consideration.
1760	The teachers should be checking in with their students via conferences on a regular basis AND reaching out to kids whose grades are slipping or when work is not getting done. Be a friend, mentor aka TEACHER not a moderator.....
1761	My daughter has her license and will be driving herself to school. I feel if we have to take these measures for safety the school should remain closed until things are back to normal. The online schooling worked very well. It's better than putting kids at risk.
1765	On line learning is a bad option
1767	We need to get back to a normal routine and that would help. Also over the months kids read answered questions for there learning most kids are not going to remember what they did will be behind. Teachers are going to have to remember this and will have to do a lot of reviewing . The important thing is to help kids from getting frustrated.
1776	I have 2 children in my home one who is autistic and WILL NOT wear a mask and does not like others wearing a mask in front of him he tries to pull the mask off. My other child will wear a mask IF need be however how do you social distance kids so they can be safe to remove their masks, to eat, drink water etc. How do you manage to social distance 23 kids in 1 classroom? How do you manage the ABA child like my who needs to see his teachers face when learning, how do you handle his speech therapy when it is all about his mouth movement and sounds? I would love the kids to have their school schedules again I am just extremely concerned about it happening safety and forcing an autistic child like mine to wear a mask is challenging and can cause the whole day to focus on wearing a mask not his learning like it should.
1778	We have not started in the school distract as this is our first child going into kindergarten so unsure of what may be necessary for the needs at this current time.
1781	ESS PROGRAM. Absolutely despicable that it has been done away with. Shame on you.
1783	I feel that the young children are not going to feel comfortable wearing a mask all day which is not healthy for them either.
1795	Teachers should not present what MAY happen in September which only upsets children further. Some teachers have been great about providing support and instruction! But no support from guidance in any meaningful way. Librarian at GMMS was awesome at offering numerous activities and zooms for students!

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1798	I believe having a child wear a mask all day at school is unrealistic they are children and shouldn't be forced to keep them on and having the grades go every other day would probably be best so it's easier to maintain without to many students.
1807	Mandatory guidance counselor individual, virtual check ins with each student.
1808	Being isolated for so long, the district needs to be sensitive to students who are uneasy about returning to a crowded building. Recognize that these new situations may cause some students to experience anxiety that manifests as behavior issues.
1814	One thing the district lacked during this shutdown, lack of communication. With the staff at school , besides their teachers. Guidance was never there.
1815	I feel that in the event there is virtual learning there should be a daily zoom. I know of other districts that had done so and it kept the students engaged and in contact with their teachers and peers.
1819	None
1830	Parents work schedules are also unknown at this time. People may still be working from home and not know what the future holds. I do think kids need socialization and the teacher's expertise in person.
1831	It would be helpful if there were ways to reach my child to make sure they feel safe at school.
1837	Nothing
1843	The children have gone through school shooting drills, covid-19, bullying, transgender nonsense, but you won't put God in the schools.
1852	I believe that all that the district is doing is fine. I cannot think of any additional measure that could be taken. I believe we, parents, are the main people responsible for helping our children transition.
1877	Focus on new Kindergarten students and how to make this transition to school ok with all that's going on.
1891	It's hard to say as there was very little if any support during the last 3 months for the middle school. We need better systems, better communication, better structure if online schooling is going to be the future. Parents will need support and communication systems as well.
1906	Teachers need to be more responsive to students, especially when they are having difficulty with virtual learning. They (some)need to respond when students e-mail.

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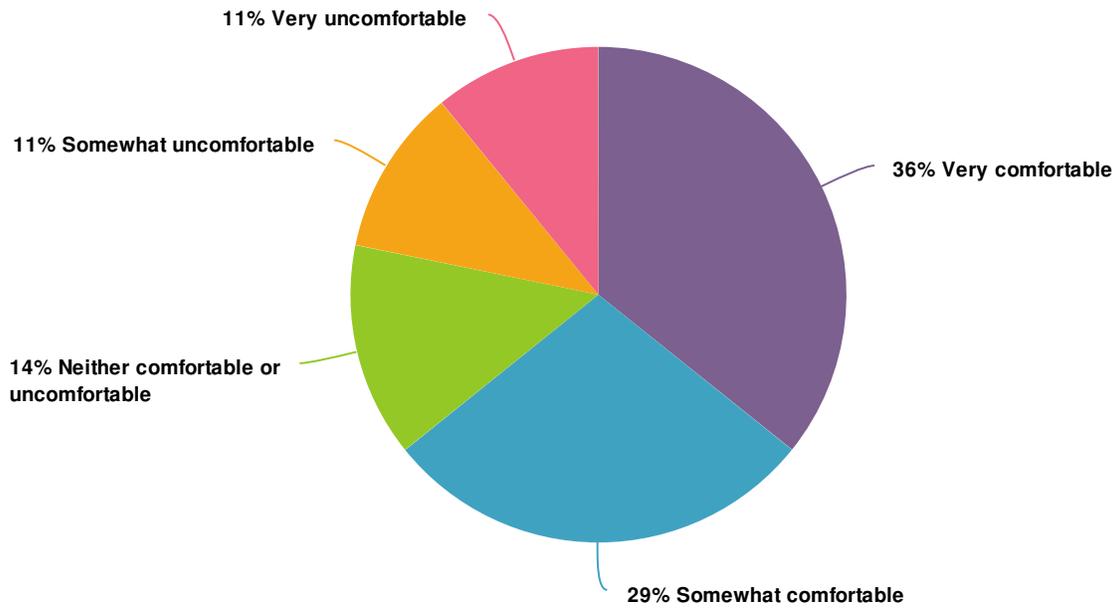
1934	Unknown at this time. It seems having coordinators check in is helpful but at the same time that does not make up for the socialization children receive at school interacting with each other and staff. Hard to know if there is no inperson school how long that will be good enough for. I am hoping for a mix of classroom and zoom school where children are required to participate whether it is half on line and half in the room for a class scheduled twice a week or something else.
1944	I think students are going to have a very difficult time focusing on learning while wearing a mask and being concerned about getting sick. It takes just a few to infect many.
1948	Students need to be able to get our energy and frustration as part of their social/emotional health. I'd like to know how schools will help students should restrictions not allow for that time for students.
1957	I think this sounds like a good start but my bigger concern is you will need to focus more on being certain staff is aware of potential health hazards on a child's respiratory system wearing a mask all day while participating in a variety of activities especially the activities that get there heart rate up. Im assuming we will get information on how you will handle specific situations should there be an emergency in this "new norm"? The children will also certainly not be drinking enough water each day if they have to wear masks all day and staff I'm certain will be trying to cut back on bathroom necessity due to fear of spreading germs. This is all aside from the issue of fear and constant uncertainty as to why they need to where a mask all day. I am a parent who is not in support of our kids wearing masks to school...I do not believe the masks have stopped the spread of this virus I believe the stay home has stoped the spread which I don't like saying that because I desperately wish my kids could have gone back to school as they desperately need that learning environment 100%...online learning for these children is awful though our teachers did an amazing job!!
1976	Teachers will need to dedicate teaching daily at least 2 hours minimum If remote learning is continued in September. My son only received about 2 hours of teaching time over an entire week this past marking period and it was not enough. There is so much they can do remotely but just offering office hours is not teaching. Please help our children and working families to actually have Teachers teach because they not only miss it but thrive with their support!
1982	None
1985	I can't imagine my child wearing a mask all day. He wears it to the store and complains the whole time.
1988	Available counseling with an additional staff member.
1993	Maybe have classroom meetings with all the class.

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I said my kids had help emotionally, but the truth is my daughter is the one who had it. My older son I didn't really see anything, and my younger son who is 5 didn't want to do anything because he was home. At that age getting him to do work was a bit of a job because being home he would do some work, but not enough. He also hated zoom, because he felt like kids didn't like him.

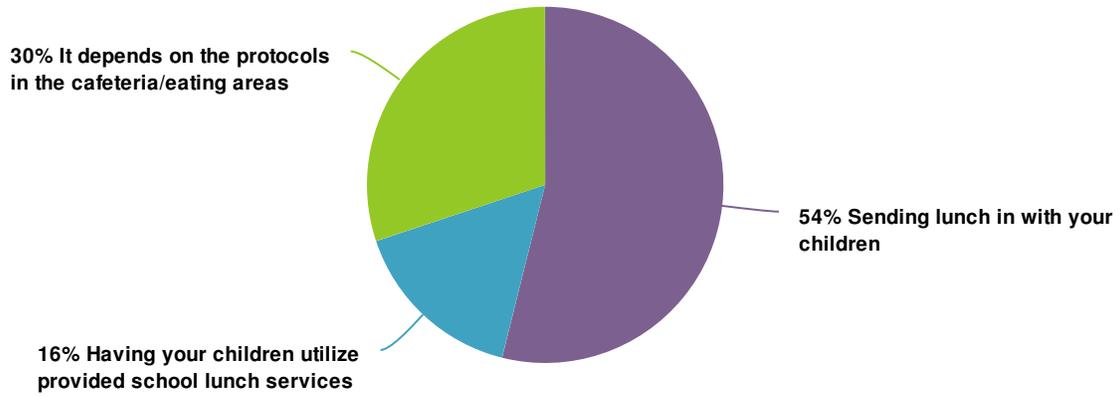
17. If students are seated in classrooms and/or other locations besides the cafeteria and eating lunch in small groups (or as per the social distancing guidelines) I am:



Value	Percent	Responses
Very comfortable	35.8%	528
Somewhat comfortable	28.5%	420
Neither comfortable or uncomfortable	14.0%	206
Somewhat uncomfortable	10.9%	160
Very uncomfortable	10.9%	160

Totals: 1,474

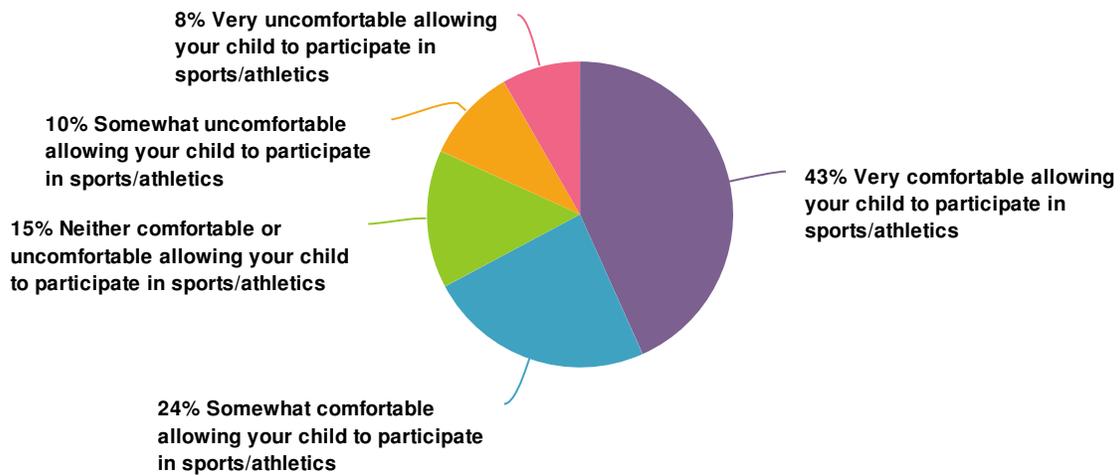
18. Do you anticipate:



Value		Percent	Responses
Sending lunch in with your children		53.9%	793
Having your children utilize provided school lunch services		16.0%	235
It depends on the protocols in the cafeteria/eating areas		30.1%	442

Totals: 1,470

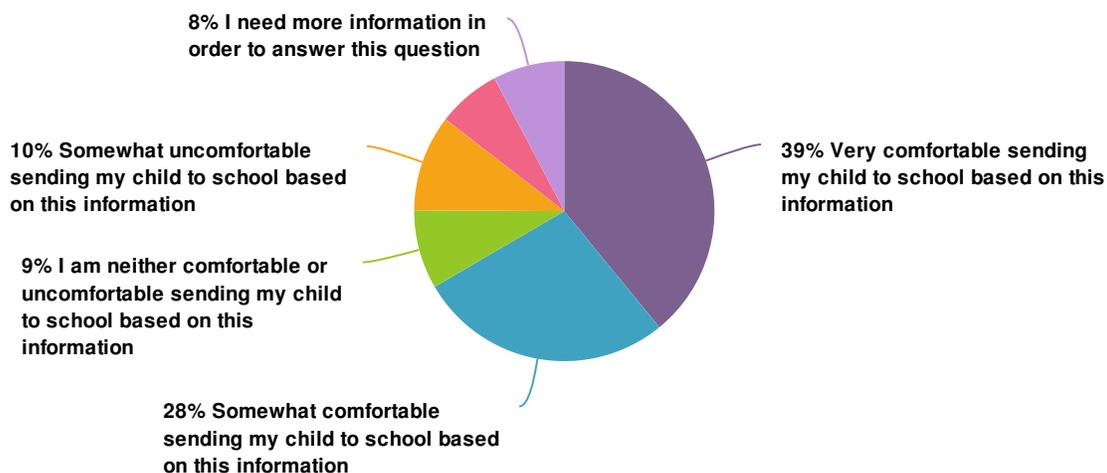
19. The Vernon School District will follow all guidelines set forth by the NJSIAA, CDC, and other agencies regarding sports/athletics. Based on this information, as a parent are you:



Value	Percent	Responses
Very comfortable allowing your child to participate in sports/athletics	43.3%	634
Somewhat comfortable allowing your child to participate in sports/athletics	23.9%	349
Neither comfortable or uncomfortable allowing your child to participate in sports/athletics	14.6%	213
Somewhat uncomfortable allowing your child to participate in sports/athletics	9.9%	145
Very uncomfortable allowing your child to participate in sports/athletics	8.3%	122

Totals: 1,463

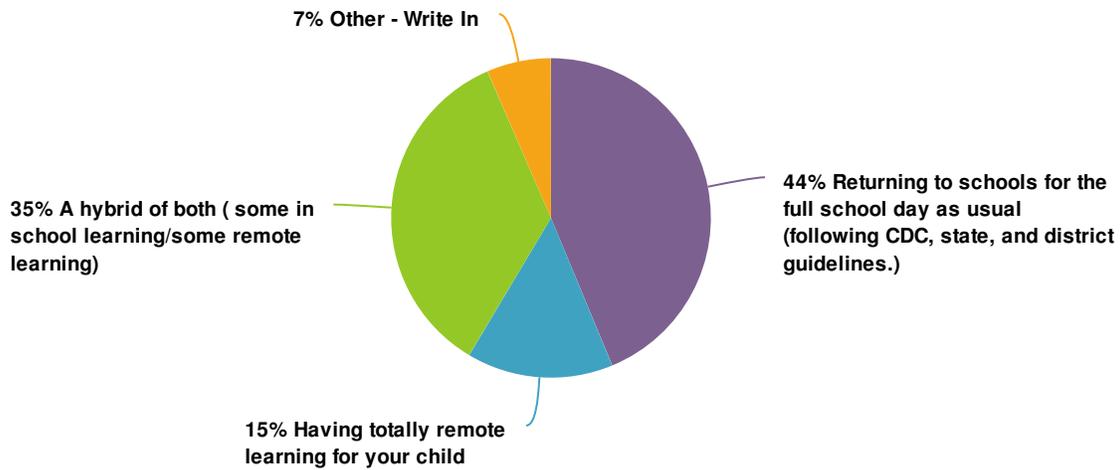
20. I am:



Value	Percent	Responses
Very comfortable sending my child to school based on this information	39.1%	569
Somewhat comfortable sending my child to school based on this information	27.5%	401
I am neither comfortable or uncomfortable sending my child to school based on this information	8.5%	124
Somewhat uncomfortable sending my child to school based on this information	10.4%	152
Very uncomfortable sending my child to school based on this information	6.8%	99
I need more information in order to answer this question	7.7%	112

Totals: 1,457

21. Of the three possible scenarios that will be determined by the state of NJ, which do you feel MOST comfortable with?



Value	Percent	Responses
Returning to schools for the full school day as usual (following CDC, state, and district guidelines.)	43.7%	632
Having totally remote learning for your child	14.8%	214
A hybrid of both ( some in school learning/some remote learning)	34.9%	505
Other - Write In	6.5%	94

Totals: 1,445

Other - Write In	Count
1. If a parent chooses to home school they can still be a part of the school's curriculum.	1
1. Teachers should be required to report to their classroom and record daily lessons. Telling children to visit websites without actual teaching being done has failed my students. My family picked up the slack of a first grade teacher that didn't "teach" while home. I dont care if they have a toddler at home. You were getting paid to teach students do your job and find a way. I have had my own toddlers at home while working and at the time they were 16months apart. You find a way to make it work! 2. Take time to see about doing AMand PM schedules. These kids need to be in school for 5 days.	1
Totals	92

Other - Write In	Count
A hybrid sounds like an acceptable compromise, however it seems like an option that isn't possible for working families	1
A normal in school experience, where the kids do not have to wear masks, socially distance, have temperature taken, etc. Small children are not going to be able to handle these changes and it will cause them more stress than I'm comfortable with.	1
AM/PM schedule with specialty classes never same as the afternoon groups. Or remote but ALL teachers must report to their classrooms and actually record all lessons and provide out daily. No more relying on links to do the job of someone getting paid \$44k a year that's a disgrace!	1
Alternate days and modified scheduling is not an option for working parents. Obviously childcare would be a major issue financially and simply finding someone. Daycares will most likely be at the maximum capacity. Most of us depend on our retired parents to help in times of need but I would not feel comfortable asking them to watch my children as they would be considered "most vulnerable". This leaves us with in school full day or remote learning full day. I honestly do not know how I feel about either option. I have major concerns for both options. Of course, as an educator myself, the best would be for children to attend regular schooling, however, I am unsure and uncomfortable with my 7 year old twins wearing masks all day and being forced to keep distance from peers and children. I understand that this is medically necessary and we practice social distancing right now, but my concern is for their social/emotional health. What would it look like through the eyes of a 7 y	1
As someone with underlying health conditions, I am very nervous about my kids returning to school. With a daughter who is a senior, I am of course torn as I don't want her to miss the experience of her senior year. I was however extremely disappointed with the lack of virtual classroom use from Vernon in the past months. My children were given very little guidance and instruction. I was upset to hear that even preschools in other parts of the state were engaging in zoom calls and interactivity. Both of my high school children were done with their school work by 11 am each day, yet they did not feel that they had very little understanding of what they learned because the instruction and teachings were not adequate. In some cases, the grades were not submitted into the grade books for several weeks or even months. If we were to offer virtual learning next year, it would be critical that the school mandate the use of virtual platforms in all classrooms to ensure adequate learning	1
At this point if my child has to wear a mask all day and follow arrows around school my child is better off learning from home until we know how the new virus will effect the masses in the Fall and if this one will affect our children.	1
Back to school full time as it used to be with more cleaning processes. Absolutely no face masks.	1
Back to school without CDC and state guidelines.	1
Daily cleaning, however wearing mask is a no go for me.	1
Depends on how many cases there are	1
Totals	92

Other - Write In	Count
Depends on what happens over the summer with covid Cases increasing or whether cases stay the same or decrease.	1
Depends on what state the country is in with new cases in September	1
Even though it would be extremely difficult for my children to do so because of my husband's and my schedules, I propose having students only come to school for their ESSENTIAL classes. Math, Reading, Writing, etc. I do not think it is necessary for children to be exposed to one another for classes like art, gym, music, and computers, though I do see the VALUE in these specials. I think specials can remain remote until we are able to resume a normal full time schedule after a vaccine has been discovered. Let's expose them as little as possible.	1
For me it depends on how schools are being cleaned on a daily basis. If it's not a full day then I'm okay with week one in school learning and week two online learning. I'm not okay with every other day or every third day because that's too difficult for most to find someone to help with watching the child at home. Are the bathrooms going to be cleaned every hour? Are the classrooms going to be cleaned between each class? These are just some questions we the parents have?!	1
For special needs that require one to one, would an aid be provided for remote learning?	1
Full school day as usual. No masks. No distancing. Stop scaring the children. If your child is sick keep them home.	1
Go back school as normal.	1
Go back to normal, no masks or social distancing.	1
Going to school. I feel my step son has don't horribly doing the virtual learning.	1
Having both in school and remote learning only if absolutely necessary	1
Homeschooling	1
I WOULD BE FINE WITH MY CHILD GOING BACK TO SCHOOL, BUT THEY HAVE TRIED WEARING MASKS WHILE OUT, AND THEY DO NOT LIKE IT.	1
I am not 100% sure how I feel at this point. The masks are a huge challenge with my one child	1
I am not comfortable sending my young children to school if they are required to wear a mask all day and learning was in no way beneficial to my children	1
I am not sure	1
I am not sure at this point what option I am most comfortable with.	1
Totals	92

Other - Write In	Count
I am ok with either full day as usual or a hybrid of in school and remote learning, I do not feel totally remote learning is effective in teaching our children, this was the case during the current quarantine situation. There was no instruction by teachers which I thought was needed.	1
I am only comfortable with my children being able to learn in the same way they are accustomed to learning. This will all be too traumatizing for them. Children are not able to wear masks for this long during the day. you are instilling fear. They need normal social interaction. Not segregation	1
I am very comfortable sending my kids back to school. Although I think it's very unrealistic to expect them to wear a mask all day. I have kids in 8th, 6th, and 1st grade. Masks are going to more of a Hassel than not wearing them. If parents aren't comfortable sending their kids back, then they should do remote learning. I would even sign a waiver taking all responsibility off of the school should my child get sick. Masks will be a nightmare.	1
I feel comfortable sending my child back to school with normalcy. If there will be partitions in classrooms and mandatory face masks for the 6+ hours they are in school, I would rather continue with distant learning.	1
I feel comfortable with remote learning or a regular school schedule. I am concerned that the current CDC guidelines will make this experience feel less like school and more like a prison. It is for that reason I am uncomfortable send my child to school. Its either normalcy or remote learning. I will not let the state endanger the mental wellbeing of my children by enforcing a prison like environment. How exactly are you going to make 5 year old follow all these rules and regulations? What are the disciplinary actions?	1
I feel my oldest son needs extra help with teachers and schooling. If learning online he needs more time with one on one.	1
I feel we all need to get back to a normal routine. I know the school has to follow the guide lines. This is coming from the government but it's all about controlling and it's ridiculous, 1960's Hong Kong fly over 4 million people died they didn't do any of this. You went on in life schools and business were opened. Sad they want to but everyone in a panic . Social media the news all you heard about how many deaths which was less then 10 percent. I know so many people who had this virus and they are all fine. Yes people have died and it is sad but it could of been so much worse. I refuse to let the government put my family in a panic . Trevor is hanging out with his friends who's parents feel the same way I do. Now they are going to back to school can't sit close to each other take temps etc.... Why they don't get it kids are hanging out with each other socializing no mask swimming bike ridding. I let this be up to Trevor going back to school what he is comfortable with. The	1
Totals	92

**Other - Write In****Count**

I feel we should be doing half days for kids. Classes are generally about 24 kids have half of them go in the morning half of them go in the afternoon. Parents already have enough on them to figure out what days the kids are going to school and what days they're gonna need childcare. If something was set in stone like half days whether they go in the morning or the afternoon it's easier for parents to obtain childcare because it is set schedule not every other day or every third day situation. Parents already have enough on them to figure out what days her kids are going to school what day is there going to need childcare. If something was set in stone like half days whether they go in the morning or the afternoon it's easier for parents to obtain childcare because it is set schedule not every other day or every third day situation. Also if there's half days you wouldn't really need to worry about the lunch situation kids would either eat when they get back home/day care or before

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I like the hybrid idea but would prefer it for it to be one week in school, one week remote, rather than every other day.

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I think a hybrid of both is a good idea or at least the option for those who aren't comfortable to have the virtual even if you do all in-person

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I think that an aborted day in such that they do not eat lunch and they wear masks the entire 1/2 day. Or we keep them home safe with zoom based interactive learning until we are cleared of this virus.

1

I want to do what is safe. I think it's more important for the younger grades to attend school. I think having the older kids home schooled and spreading the younger kids out within all the schools is the way to go.

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I will not send my children under any of these circumstances. When school can open as the way they always have I will send them. As for remote learning teacher's need to be available for a facetime call when assistance is needed at any given time. My children went from straight a student's to now getting c's, d's, and f's. Very upsetting all because of complications with remote learning and not enough help. I am an essential worker in the nursing field and if this continues into next year that is my request while I am at work I'd at least like to know my child can get in touch with his/her teacher and get the help they need and make sure assignments are completed properly and on time.

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I will switch to homeschooling

1

I would let my kids return to school full time but not with the regulations of walking in hallways one way and the arrows enforcing my children to wear masks all day long.

1

I would like my child to return to full time school and do NOT feel the need for students or teachers to wear masks

1

I would prefer 1/2 day learning of just the core 4- no lunch, no specials

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I would prefer my children return to full day school but uncomfortable doing so if they need to wear masks for hours each day. Rather do virtual learning if that is the case.

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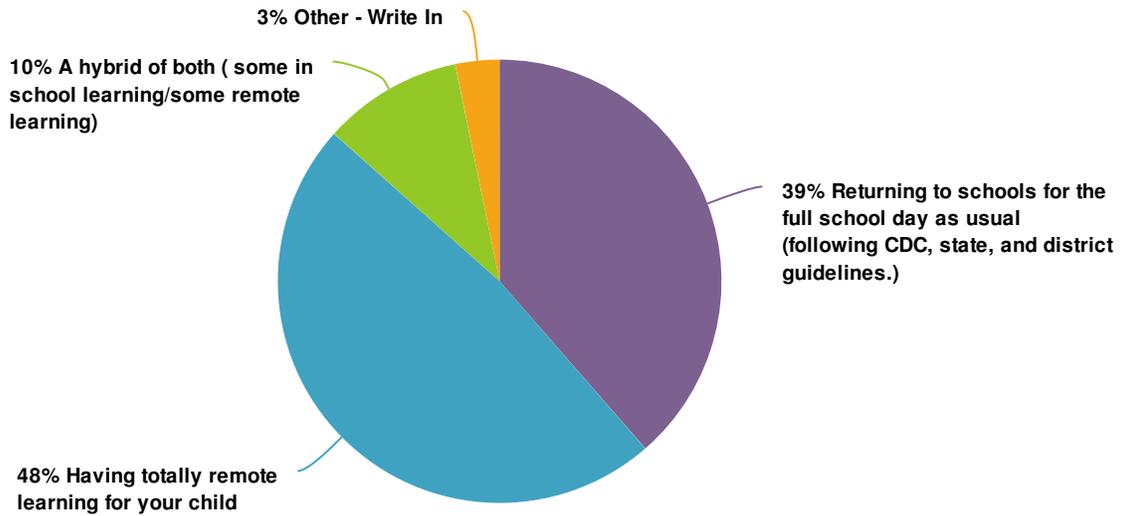
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Other - Write In	Count
I'm all for sending my child to school but I'm not comfortable with her having to wear a mask all day as I feel this will effect her learning. I don't know anyone who is comfortable wearing one, nor able to breathe comfortably.	1
I'm an still unsure how I feel about schools opening up	1
I'm not sure how I feel about my children having to wear masks all day in school for health and mental well being. The whole experience is traumatic for kids and the lack of socializing is affecting them as well.	1
If all these safety measures are in place, I'd rather have them learn at home. I will not send my young children to school in a mask for 8 hours, plus bus time.	1
If masks need to be worn, I would not want them in school	1
In support of returning full without masks. They will only cause more problems	1
It depends on if he has to wear a mask in the classroom	1
It depends on restrictions. I prefer school as normal, but if restrictions are strict, a hybrid or revamped online learning	1
It depends on where we are in September. My kids need their teachers. Remote learning was horrible. But I don't know I feel comfortable sending them either. I know it may sound crazy but if this is this bad I think we should delay they year.	1
It is still too early to tell, certain things still need to change/improve	1
It really depends. If we have to check temps and if we're all wearing masks to me that seems like it's not safe enough to return.	1
It will depend on the Covid number. It's to soon to answer	1
My answer completely depends on	1
My children will be homeschooled .	1
No where in any of this do you break down having multiple children. Older students will understand risks better and have the discipline to wear masks. In what world do you think a 6 year old will keep a mask on their face for 7 hours?	1
Normal school day. No masks no distancing.	1
Normal school days with no mask, I worry not about my child but other children not keeping them on.	1
Totals	92

Other - Write In	Count
Not sure at this time	1
Not sure. Too early to tell.	1
Regular school as was be4 covid	1
Remote learning following -BEST PRACTICES	1
Return for full day. If full remote learning is implemented, we will look at pribate school.	1
Return to a completely normal schedule without all the unwarranted rules and regulations	1
Return to normal school with no mask requirements for children	1
Returning to a regular school day without masks for students or faculty.	1
Returning to school and disregarding the insane cdc guidelines	1
Returning to school as normal without CDC and State guidel ines	1
Returning to school is recommended at the state level is fine with me. I believe spring break is known to break flu transmissions in communities. Will the school consider building some online breaks into the school year. These scheuled breaks could be planned for, and say one week in Dec, Jan, Feb and March could support keeping schools in session.	1
Returning to school without protocols	1
Schools should be able to go back to normal without any restrictions	1
Schools should be open without any restrictions. This is a common flu type virus that was blown out of proportion and therefore does not require any serious attention	1
Should circumstances dictate social distancing and masks be worn, how do children use the rest room? One at a time?	1
Staggered schedule but I do not want my child participating in online schooling. If a staggered schedule requires less breaks then take time off away but do not resort to online school again. It was a horrible failure	1
Stop with the PPE and let's move on with our lives.	1
Too early to tell	1
Unless confident the children are safe, we should not be sending them back to school. Continue virtual until that time.	1
Totals	92

Other - Write In	Count
Unsure at this time	1
Use online supplied curriculum	1
We should have half days this way the kids can get back to some type of normalcy, education won't be parent reliant and it will be easier for WORKING PARENTS to obtain childcare	1
While I would lean to a full normal day, if my child was require to wear a mask at school, I would vote for either full or partial remote. I don't think she will be able to deal with wearing a mask all day every day	1
figure it out	1
half day sessions	1
having the choice to remote or in person instruction each marking period as the situation unfolds and vaccines become available possibly. I prefer to keep my daughter home initially, but would like to be accorded the choice each marking period based on what is happening at the time.	1
really not sure at this point, especially watching the spikes in states that have gone to phase 2 of reopening certain things. We of course want our son to be able to resume to normalcy, but only when it is safe	1
remote learning until a vaccine is proven effective to safeguard the youngest population and the families they go home to.	1
returning to school for the full school day and to hell with the CDC or anything else	1
Totals	92

22. Of the three possible scenarios that will be determined by the state of NJ, which do you feel LEAST comfortable with?



Value	Percent	Responses
Returning to schools for the full school day as usual (following CDC, state, and district guidelines.)	38.6%	551
Having totally remote learning for your child	48.0%	685
A hybrid of both (some in school learning/some remote learning)	10.2%	146
Other - Write In	3.2%	45

Totals: 1,427

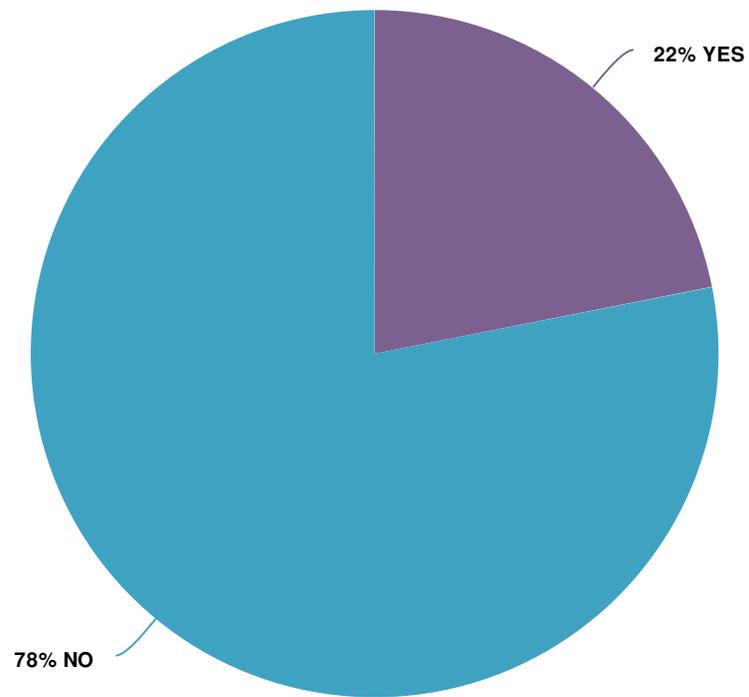
Other - Write In	Count
Unsure	2
A school with masks and social distancing	1
All of the above	1
Depends on what happens over the summer with covid Cases increasing or whether cases stay the same or decrease.	1
Totals	44

Other - Write In	Count
Depends on where we are at the end of August	1
Due to high risk within every adult in the home, it would be most beneficial to home school. The remote online learning is not conducive to the needs of special need student in the home	1
Go back to school as normal	1
Half days where kids go to school every day. Am and pm schedules like kindergarten was years ago.	1
Having my child be able to go back to his her normal routine without restrictions	1
I WOULD BE OK WITH A HYBRID OF BOTH, BUT MY DAUGHTER HAS AN IEP AND HOMESCHOOLING WAS A FULL TIME JOB FOR ME. I HAVE 2 KIDS IN SCHOOL I SPENT A MINIMUM OF 4 HOURS A DAY WITH THE ONE WITH IEP. HER WORK LOAD WAS NOT MODIFIED FOR HER NEEDS. THE TEACHERS NEED TO BE BETTER EQUIPPED FOR HOMESCHOOLING THESE CHILDREN. IF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT IS NOT EQUIPPED, THEY NEED TO GET PEOPLE WHO ARE, OR HAVE MY DAUGHTER TAUGHT ONLINE BY THE CRAIG SCHOOL. I COULD NOT GO THROUGH A WHOLE YEAR OF HOMESCHOOLING, IT IS NOT FAIR TO MY YOUNGER DAUGHTER WHO I CAN NOT SPEND EFFICIENT TIME WITH BECAUSE TOO MUCH TIME IS SPENT WITH OLDER SISTER.	1
I am only comfortable with returning to school full time following cdc guidelines	1
I am the least comfortable with threlem returning to school and the risk while they are wearing masks	1
I can't answer really answer this until we know how the virus is spreading in the fall	1
I do NOT like the idea of switching every other day but like best a hybrid with one week on, one week off. other day	1
I do not feel comfortable having child wear mask during school	1
I feel torn, my son isn't benefiting from totally at home with his speech. But I also know he wouldn't be totally comfortable wearing a mask, I also don't want him there if it is unsafe.	1
I think all aspects will be challenging. I cannot foresee what the next several months will bring. My opinion may change based on updated information.	1
I think keeping the older kids home schooled and sending the younger kids to school but spread them out with in all the schools.	1
I think that children can go 1/2 days fully masked with no lunch time or stay safe at home with zoom interactive learning until the virus is gone.	1
Totals	44

Other - Write In	Count
I will not send my child if they need to wear a mask	1
If the State mandates one of the 3 what choice do we have?	1
If the cdc and state officials ok returning to a "regular" school day I would likely send my daughter, but I do have concerns about another wave in the fall or winter. But clear guidelines must be in place for virtual learning.	1
It depends on the state guidelines.	1
It is very difficult to answer at this time since we do not yet know how Covid19 may present itself in the next few months. I would lean toward hybrid right now. But if anything increases with Covid 19 I would want remote learning.	1
It's too soon to answer	1
Least comfortable with total remote learning , and hybrid of both.	1
My answer completely depends on whether or not my children will have to wear masks.	1
My least favorite is mixing things up, as well as remote learning! ONLY way is going back to school full time!!!!	1
Normal school with no masks. I worry not for my children but the other children who won't wear the mask.	1
Not having the choice to make the decision for my own child once the decision has been made	1
Not sure	1
Not sure at this time	1
Please see my previous note about the need for virtual classrooms and the dire need for use of virtual platforms such as zoom. It's a disgrace that preschools in the state are offering zoom calls and interactive learning and yet an entire district who is responsible for education students as old as 18, have not mandated that teachers utilize such learning tools.	1
Returning after a vaccine and having plexiglass around the desks , and PPE	1
Returning to school as it was	1
Returning to school for the full school day and being made to wear a mask and being isolated and segregated. I understand needing to take precautions, but separating them and keeping them separate on busses is ridiculous.	1
Totals	44

Other - Write In	Count
Returning to school without PPE. There is no way these kids are going to wear masks all day long in a hit classroom and during gym. Let's move on with living our lives and stop being pulled by a string by the politicians	1
Should social distancing and masks still be required by Sept I would fully support complete remote learning. If social distancing and masks are no longer required I fully support returning to normal in person school days.	1
This question is tricky. Nobody knows what September will look like. The virus could surge and totally remote learning will be the only option. Or, it could recede more based on current measures allowing for more options. You might need to ask these questions again in August.	1
Too early to tell	1
both full time on line and full time in school concerns me unless the cause of COVID is better known. Masks are difficult to wear for constantly for 6 or more hours	1
figure it out	1
really not sure at this point	1
Totals	44

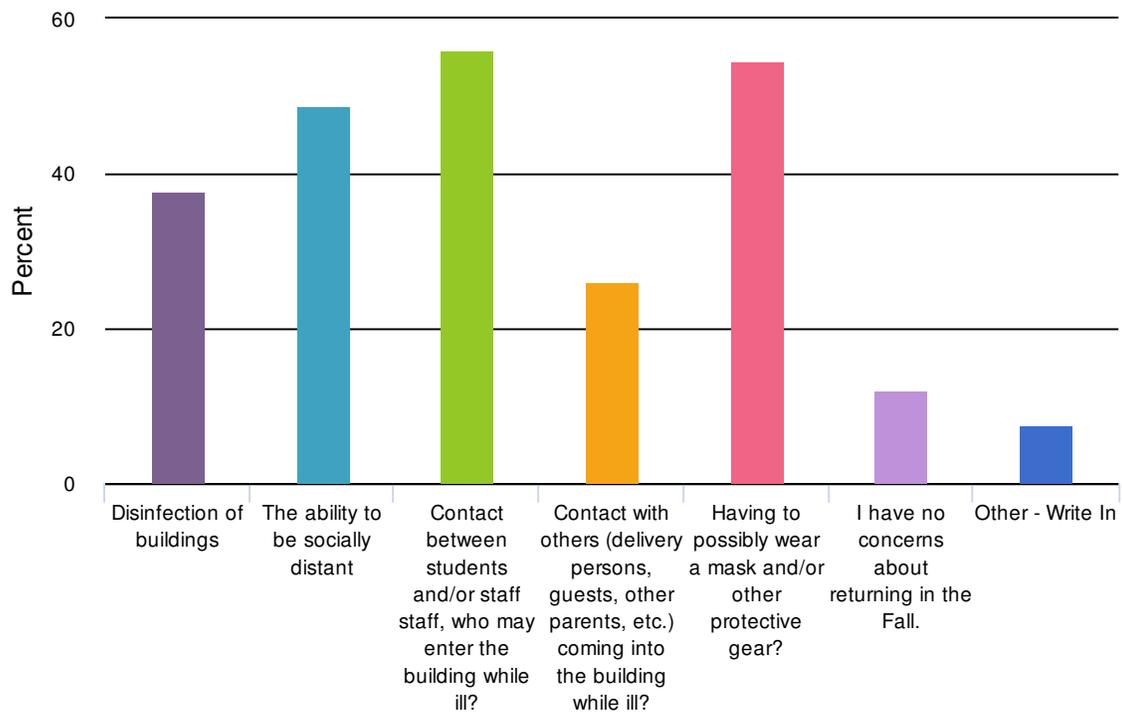
23. Do you or a member of your household have any underlying health conditions that would prevent you from sending your children to school?



Value		Percent	Responses
YES		21.9%	314
NO		78.1%	1,119

Totals: 1,433

24. If it is determined that our students will be returning to schools for on-site learning (following CDC, state, and district guidelines) which THREE of the following are you MOST concerned about as a parent?



Value	Percent	Responses
Disinfection of buildings	37.8%	546
The ability to be socially distant	48.7%	704
Contact between students and/or staff, who may enter the building while ill?	56.1%	811
Contact with others (delivery persons, guests, other parents, etc.) coming into the building while ill?	25.9%	375
Having to possibly wear a mask and/or other protective gear?	54.4%	787
I have no concerns about returning in the Fall.	11.9%	172
Other - Write In	7.5%	109
<b>Other - Write In</b>		<b>Count</b>
All of the above		3
Totals		104

<b>Other - Write In</b>	<b>Count</b>
All of the above	2
Their emotional well being	1
All of above	1
All the above	1
All these new rules causing emotional stress	1
An antisocial environment and the isolated atmosphere needed to socially distance	1
As long as buildings are disinfected and everyone's temperature is checked upon entering I have no concerns	1
Asthma	1
Asymptomatic super spreaders	1
Based on CDC requirements, school would be turning into a prison-like setting.... what is the point? This is traumatic and will increase anxiety levels in staff and students. I think we should just stay remote until COVID is under control. What an emotionally damaging year this could be for children otherwise!	1
Being forced to stay away from their peers and friend.	1
Being socially distant in overcrowded classes	1
Buses	1
Childcare options	1
Concern of Staff being able to control the guidelines	1
Contact from student to student	1
Coordinating work and school schedules for my family.	1
Disinfecting of bldg all who enter the bldg l'll and face masks for the entire day	1
Getting students to keep masks on	1
Gym class/lunch	1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>104</b>

Other - Write In	Count
Having teachers that can teach and care about students. Not just there for a paycheck and summers off	1
He will not be wearing a mask	1
I am MOST concerned that they may NOT return to school in person. I strongly believe the children need to be in school for their emotional, social, and educational development.	1
I am concerned that my 4 year old is not going to get the type of social activity and skills he needs to move on to kindergarten because of the restrictions.	1
I believe the staff will respect the guidelines. I do not believe the students will follow the instruction. What if a child thinks it's funny to cough or sneeze on another person. I don't trust all the student will take this seriously and follow the directions. It's too risky!	1
I do not feel children will willingly wear masks all day, nor do I think it is healthy for them to breathe in the air they are expelling into the mask. I also fear that guidelines will prevent them from having the social interactions that they normally are exposed to at school thus stunting their growth in social behaviors.	1
I don't want my children wearing masks all day and I can't afford to provide them anyway.	1
I don't want my kids to wear a mask as they are not needed and unnecessary. I particularly dislike the idea of my child not being able to have proper human interaction.	1
I dont want my kids wearing masks all day. You cant breath well in them.	1
I feel a major benefit to the school day is the socialization. I don't know if my young children would benefit From a school day where they would not be able to socialize.	1
I feel that over time my children will not effectively learn due to all necessary guidelines.	1
I feel that returning to school with these conditions will endanger the mental well being of children as what was once a school will feel more like a prison with the rules and regulations. What will be the consequences for my 6 year old when he does break these rules. What are the ramifications of having children eat 6 ft apart ?seeing their friends but get in trouble if they play with them ? You can not possibly think kids 5 or 6 years old will wear a mask all day , is wearing a mask all day for a child even safe ?	1
I have a child generalized anxiety I'm not sure if he can do an ever changing schedule.	1
I think third parties can be managed though entrances students do not use and having faculty use separate entrances. I think 6 hours of being in a mask is difficult for anyone. my office has a infared scanner that everyone walks past and if it picks up a body temp over 100 that person is pulled aside and individually checked. Given the longevity of this, that might be an efficient way to monitor temperatures.	1

Totals

104

Other - Write In	Count
I worry about how children who struggle with change, routine disruption, behaviors, sensory issues, anxiety etc will do back in school.	1
I worry with so many rules, while needed, will cause school to not be fun and engaging if my child can not talk and play with others in a semi normal pre-covid way.	1
I'm concerned about all the above	1
I'm concerned about all the previous answers	1
I'm not comfortable sending my child to a socially distant atmosphere.	1
If the students eat in the classroom when will the fest be cleaned to eat on. Also my son was dinged many times when asked to wash his hands before he ate lunch. I had to contact the teacher to make sure teacher s and aides know that he should be allowed to do this. All students should wash their hands with soap and water before eating anything the building.	1
If there's still no vaccine, I find it hard to believe the children will all keep perfectly behaved with masks etc. Maybe the older kids, but not the younger ones.	1
In school environment social distancing is not practical.	1
In school some days remote school other days	1
It depends on what's going on	1
It's less about the safety protocols and more about ensuring our students receive an education rich environment. We are going to protocol the learning environment to death (the CDC and NJ DOH) and I feel it will be a hindrance to allowing children to BE CHILDREN and learn in a suitable environment for them. Virtual learning is absolutely not a suitable option for a 1st grader to be successful. She needs that emotional and social interaction and growth as well, that she cannot get virtual learning from 2 parents who work full time outside of the house.	1
Making sure the kids do not remove their mask during school hours.	1
Mental overload with all the new rules, mask, tape on the floors and walls. Worried all the guidelines to follow will take precedent over learning and paying attention to work. Lack of communication with mask cover facial cues and mouth movements. Mostly the mental aspect of returning with new rules and boundaries	1
My biggest concern is how much the kids will actually learn if they are not in the classroom. My 11yr old was always a great student & he lost motivation/interest in material/school while homeschooling and ended up failing for the 1st time in his life.	1
My child contracting the virus and passing it to me or my husband. We both have the potential of havin a severe react	1
Totals	104

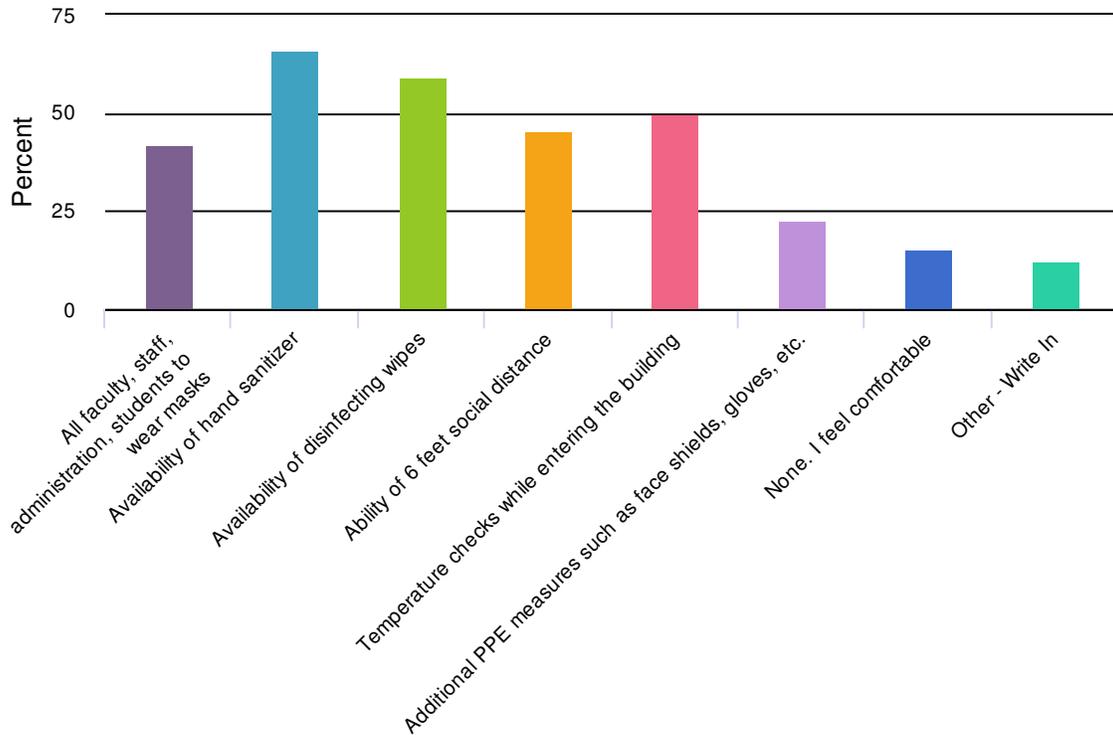
Other - Write In	Count
My child has experienced some anxiety on the 2 occasions we've been out while wearing a mask.	1
My child not being able to interact enough with the teacher to benefit from in-person learning at its best.	1
My only concern is disinfecting the bathrooms throughout the day, the classrooms and desks between all classes and the lunch room between each lunch period. I just do t see how there will be enough time to do it properly.	1
My son has peanut and tree nut allergies, I'm concerned over who he sits with in a confined space if they are eating peanut butter or other nut contaminants... what is being done to address allergies?	1
My son is 6 and will have an issue wearing a mask for the entire day, as will other students his age, yet I feel it is necessary to wear PPE if the students go back to school- that is the conflict I am having; I am an RN, and must wear PPE for 13h at a time- it is difficult for me, as a professional RN/adult to comfortably do; I don't think it is realistic to expect 5/6 year olds to wear a mask for hours at a time.	1
My student's regular hygiene practice	1
No others, students will have a hard time maintaining. Masks prevent spread.	1
None	1
Parents consistently send their children in with fevers because of their own financial and schedule reasons. I don't believe for one second that this will change now that we are more financially stressed than ever. I believe that taking mass temperatures will not work because of Tylenol/Advil use and may be more detrimental because of the nature of temperature taking... Remove mask, place a foreign item in mouth, and the fact that one person moving from person to person taking temperatures will introduce transfer risk	1
Parents keeping their sick children home	1
People having to send their children when they know they may be sick because they have no option otherwise. Other parents stupidity to make sound decisions for the health and safety of the students and faculty terrifies me.	1
Refer to a previous answer. I would not be comfortable requiring my child to wear a mask all day long. I also think it will harm the mental, emotional and social development/health of children to restrict them to a desk all day and not allow them to move around, learn hands on, and play with others	1
Reminding students to frequently wash hands	1
Totals	104

<b>Other - Write In</b>	<b>Count</b>
Schedules being impossible for my son to attend	1
See if there is a spike determines response for fall	1
Social distancing	1
Social distancing affecting students ability to get proper socialization with peers.	1
Social distancing is not developmentally appropriate for elementary age students.	1
Strict guidelines will impact learning	1
Students actually following the new rules & guidelines: who will be responsible for enforcing & what will be the consequences if these new rules for separation are not followed?	1
Students congregating without social distancing	1
Students keeping masks on during the day	1
Students not complying with guidelines. Students coming to school sick. Students not taking it seriously. This is extremely dangerous for students with underlying health issues.	1
Students not wearing masks and kissing/hugging while unsupervised	1
Teachers getting ill. I don't feel it's right to put teachers -such a vulnerable population- at such risk. If a teacher is out sick for 3-4 weeks then long-term substitutes and the continuity of plans and normalcy for the children is a big concern.	1
That education be as normal as possible.	1
The ability for students to successfully learn what they need to given all the significant changes. Rigid rules really can't help them anymore	1
The ability for younger children to adequately learn from staff especially teachers while wearing masks. How are the fundamentals supposed to be taught to say kindergarten and first graders without being able to see lip movement and sound placement?	1
The children getting the education they require	1
The cost of implementation, even with grants	1
The emotional well being of my children	1
The mask concerns we most because they get hot and I can't imagine any child not taking it off for moments here and there	1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>104</b>

Other - Write In	Count
The misery of my children wearing masks all day.	1
The other students. Young kids aren't great at expressing themselves if unwell. It is not reasonable to expect young kids to wear a mask all day	1
The overall sterile experience of being a kindergartner who is consistently told not to have typical social contact with peers and teachers, potentially stifling comfort, the establishment of healthy relationships, and a love for learning.	1
The quality of life in school.	1
The school schedule. Why can't the half of the grade levels go 2 days the other half go 2 days and they all have 3 telework days. This way there is enough teachers for smaller class rooms and on the 3 telework day the teachers will be openly available to help all the students with their teleworking. Every third day possible situation is def not going to work. Parents need set days to have sitters or move their work schedule around. Possibly provide high school students with an option to telework tutor as a credit and they can be teachers assists for the lower levels because let's face it the younger generation is better with technology so they could help and possibly would want to help given the opportunity.	1
There is no way the personnel at VTSD will be able to keep children wearing masks, especially children with IEPs. How will VTSD pay for all this disinfectant if they are losing money already?	1
They should return to school With no masks! No distancing! They need cafeteria and gym	1
Too much distancing, causing fear and too much decrease much needed socializing. Im afraid too much "intervention" will cause irreparable psychological damage.	1
Wearing a mask all day is not healthy. I do not want my child running around with a mask on. Certain times a mask is necessary. Certain times it is not	1
Wearing a mask during gym	1
Younger children's capabilities to effectively social distancing and keep face coverings pn	1
contact with a student who doesn't present an elevated temperature until after being screened and entering the building for the day	1
families being honest about the health of their child which can jeopardize other children	1
my daughter will not be going back unless the government figures it out.	1
my son being traumatized because of all of the adjustments that would need to be made. They are so young and don't really understand	1
play time w/ no mask please	1
Totals	104

Other - Write In	Count
sick days should not count against the students and faculty. Encourage sick people to stay home.	1
the school and district blindly following the ridiculous state policies.	1
the students maintaining social distancing either in class or during class changes	1
Totals	104

25. Which of the following would make you MORE comfortable sending your child to school? (check all that apply)



Value	Percent	Responses
All faculty, staff, administration, students to wear masks	41.8%	604
Availability of hand sanitizer	66.0%	955
Availability of disinfecting wipes	59.3%	857
Ability of 6 feet social distance	45.6%	660
Temperature checks while entering the building	49.7%	718
Additional PPE measures such as face shields, gloves, etc.	22.8%	329
None. I feel comfortable	15.5%	224
Other - Write In	12.4%	179

Other - Write In	Count
A vaccine	2
A vaccine	2
Totals	171

Other - Write In	Count
<p>- it won't be healthy for kids to wear masks all day and I expect it won't be realistic for staff to wear masks all day. I also don't think it is realistic for small children to wear protective gear. However, I think the kids need some normalcy - even being in school 2 days a week and then online learning the other two or three days makes sense. If kids are doing sports, I have less concern because they are wearing equipment and we can supply guards. I just don't see how you will be able to clean the school from top to bottom every day, or keep kids from sneezing, breathing on other kids. It is just unrealistic IMHO.</p>	1
<p>1. Knowing sick students will definitely be sent home. 2. A no tolerance policy for students who use coughing on others or the threat of making another student ill with COVID as a bullying tactic.</p>	1
1st 5	1
<p>6ft social distance only if that guideline is still in effect. We don't know how the pandemic will evolve through August. It's difficult if not impossible to judge how safe I will feel my children are by using June numbers to predict September's numbers.</p>	1
<p>A better solution, masks are hard to breathe in. Young kids mood changes from wearing the masks. They cannot learn like this. Maybe cubicles? But then young kids need help getting masks back on</p>	1
<p>A completely normal return to school without all of the unreasonable restrictions</p>	1
<p>A policy that doesn't penalize for keeping your child home. We have 3 kids which means someone is always sick. Parents will be sending kids to school sick bc they will be penalized if they miss too much school</p>	1
<p>A proven treatment plan for a virus with so many unknowns</p>	1
<p>A vaccine, or 100 percent assurance my child could not bring the germ home</p>	1
<p>A0% infection rate for 2 weeks in Sussex county prior to reopening</p>	1
<p>Ability to maintain/monitor all of the above</p>	1
<p>Additional Nurse on staff. Additional trained professionals on staff</p>	1
<p>Adequate time (and reminders for the little ones) to wash their hands with soap and water, rather than strictly rely hand sanitizer - especially before meals.</p>	1
<p>Again, kids can't be expected to wear a mask all day long. Especially the younger kids. There is no way.</p>	1
<p>Air flow, ventilation</p>	1
<p>Totals</p>	171

Other - Write In	Count
All of the above	1
All of the above except no children should have to wear masks. Especially those whose are asthmatic like mine.	1
All of the above plus covid testing every 14 days	1
All the above	1
All these questions will be reliant on if there is a spike in cases	1
As long as there is a risk there should be remote learning only	1
At this time there is insufficient information for me to answer this question. Referring to sterilization and distancing in generic terms does not give the specific information I would need to ensure that I feel comfortable with the district's efforts, and for the safety of children and staff.	1
At this time, I feel remote learning would make me the most comfortable	1
Availability of cure or vaccine for COVID-19	1
Comfortable would again be knowing how you plan to disinfect between each class, bathrooms and after each lunch period. I'm in the medical field and you need at least 15 minutes minimum to do it right.	1
Do not feel comfortable at all	1
Do not feel comfortable sending my daughters to school if it's not going to be safe.	1
Don't open the schools	1
Efforts to provide the correct kind of air circulation/recirculation in all school buildings to help prevent spread of COVID-19	1
Everything you mentioned in this survey sounds good in theory but children are children. Some don't listen, some are cruel, some just don't get it etc so it's very hard to ensure the safety of our children with that huge variable in play. In addition my other biggest concern is the awkwardness of the workarounds negativity impacting our children's state of mind on a permanent basis considering their very young age. Maybe their should be different initiatives for high school vs grammar school. And maybe for those children who did very well with the virtual learning, like my child, that can be an option for them while the others go to school under the guidelines discussed in this survey. Perhaps maybe even putting a live webcam on the teachers while they are teaching the students that chose to go to school that the virtual students can participate in that way? I do love the alternative days/times idea for the in school option by the way, awesome job!!.	1

Totals

171

Other - Write In	Count
Extended absence allowance at the HS to allow a sick child to stay home and not lose credit for a class	1
Face masks only when in close proximity to each other	1
Faculty only wearing masks. No children in masks	1
Faculty, staff, and admin wearing masks. No children unless social distancing cannot be followed due to limited space.	1
Following CDC guidelines	1
For 1 child social distancing however this is not the same feeling for my autistic child	1
Going back to normal	1
Hand washing	1
Hand washing availability	1
Having a cure for this virus	1
Having a scheduled cleaning and disinfecting of common areas	1
Having a vaccine. Otherwise, we're just gambling.	1
Having plexiglass on 3 sides of desk and in other areas and holding off on sports until spring due to inability to control kids getting too close to ea other sweating , spitting inability and danger of wearing masks while practicing or participating in athletics and if injury occurs along with respiratory droplets expelled during most sports	1
Having young kids wear a mask all day does not feel like a viable option.	1
How does anyone except a child with learning disabilities to understand what is expected, my child has expressed fear just by seeing people in masks taking a walk, wearing a mask stressed my child out to the point of tears.	1
I am not comfortable sending my child to school while masks are required and social distancing is still needed.	1
I am not comfortable with any of these	1
I believe having a child wear a mask all day at school is unrealistic they are children and shouldn't be forced to keep them on and having the grades go every other day would probably be best so it's easier to maintain without to many students.	1
Totals	171

Other - Write In	Count
I do not feel comfortable sending my child in with the continued pandemic	1
I do not feel comfortable sending my children in due to covid pandemic	1
I do not feel comfortable sending my children to school under the circumstances ar all.	1
I do not feel comfortable sending our children to school if ppe is worn. Both of our girls have anxiety and depression this would make it worse for both of them.	1
I don't know feel comfortable with any of these	1
I don't know. I think you can lower temps with meds. And it's impossible to keep the social distance	1
I don't personally see how it's safe to return children to school with the virus attacking inside buildings and there is not enough room in the schools for proper social distancing	1
I don't think I will ever feel comfortable enough to send my children back to school. I know for a fact that most families aren't taking this seriously now, I doubt they will begin to take it seriously when school does reopen.	1
I don't think any of this is going to help. I rather keep my children home.	1
I don't think anything is going to help	1
I don't think children understand the concept of not touching their face and if kids are made to wear masks they will be touching their faces and messing with their masks putting themselves and families at risk this virus is 99.9 %transmitted by hand to face transmission and also they coughing and sneezing actively	1
I don't think school should reopen until a vaccine is ready. Once everyone receives the vaccine, and proves it, then school can reopen as normal. Until then, continue with the remote learning	1
I don't think that the district can adequately handle or safely open in September	1
I don't trust people enough to feel confident my children will be safe at school	1
I don't want kids wearing masks in gym not safe to be rebreathing higher carbon dioxide. Levels. While exercising	1
I don't want my child to wear a mask whatsoever at school.	1
I dont feel comfortable with all the PPE	1
I dont feel very comfortable until this is over really	1
Totals	171

Other - Write In	Count
I feel comfortable if students are washing there hands more often before they eat after they eat bathroom breaks. If any child has symptoms should be sent home.	1
I feel it is important for kids to be exposed to germs to help build their immune system, but I definitely need there to be constant deep cleaning of all areas.	1
I feel that if children have to wear masks all day for 7 to 8 hours it is just not feasible.	1
I feel that it is impossible to monitor every child, every moment and mitigate risk to the degree that there is very little risk at this time. I feel that children will inadvertantly revert to touching their faces, removing their masks, and this will become a fiasco. I also believe that all of the funding spent on this endeavor would be better saved for when the risk is much less and a spike in disease is less possible.	1
I feel uncomfortable in general about sending my child back. Absolutely no child ( pre k - 12 ) should have to wear a mask. I believe remote learning is the best way to go for the time being.	1
I feel uncomfortable with sending my child back to school	1
I preefer face shields to masks-it is difficult to breathe through a mask when talking, and especially difficult to wear for several hours a day	1
I still feel it is too early for me to answer this question	1
I think when dealing with children you can make all the plans you want but there are just no guarantees that those protocols will be followed. I just don't see how children are going to wear a mask all day	1
I would NOT send him to school unless this is resolved	1
I would only be sending my children to school if it's 100 percent safe and COVID-19 is no longer a threat.	1
I would prefer virtual learning until safe for kids to return without masks & without staying 6 ft from each other.	1
I'd feel more comfortable if distance learning was allowed to continue. In school attendance with such strict (but highly necessary) guidelines isn't a good fit for my child.	1
I'm fine with everything except for the masks. If masks are required, I'm not sure if I'll be sending my child to school.	1
I'm not comfortable sending my children to any building for 7 hours a day which operates like a prison. None of the above.	1
I'm not comfortable with kids returning to school yet	1
Totals	171

Other - Write In	Count
I'm not sure any of these options fit with the children of this age group.	1
If a hybrid schedule is used, flexibility is scheduling when my children attend to coordinate with parent work schedules.	1
If masks are Still required By the government, I will not be comfortable sending my children to school.	1
It depends on what's happening at the time	1
It is not the availability of any of the above or the need for temperature screening but the actual act of all abiding by all guidelines. Too many differences in opinion being learned by children. I'm in the healthcare field on the frontlines for most of the pandemic and had a confirmed case of COVID. My experience has been far worse than many who did not the same personal experience as our family did as with many families.	1
It's going to be hard to keep students from social distancing. Plus bathrooms use will be a sanitation and gathering issue. As well as playgrounds. It will be Inevitable that children will enter the building ill as they normally do bc their parents have to work. The virus is bound to spread throughout the school no matter what measures we decide to take.	1
Just not comfortable until there is a vaccine	1
Keep social distancing and EFFECTIVE hand wash at all necessary time	1
Knowing that if my child has to wear a face mask and gets sick from doing so I can sue the school district for compensation	1
Limited class sizes, only meeting once or twice a week in person	1
Mass vaccinations for the entire population. Which is not available. Which is why we will not be back.	1
My kids mental health	1
N95 masks, minimum 10' social distancing	1
NO MASKS	1
No masks	1
None	1
None of it makes me comfortable! Let's wear masks, keep distanced as possible and play it safe.	1
Totals	171

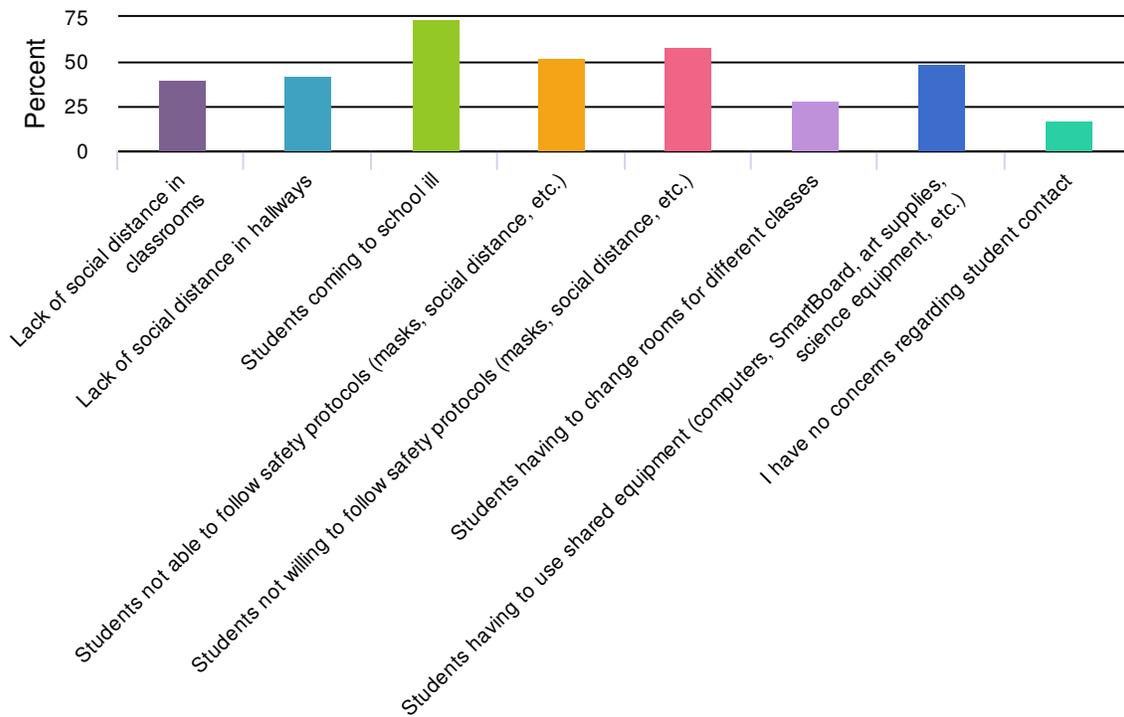
Other - Write In	Count
None of the above	1
None would make me feel more comfortable	1
None. I dont believe thd s	1
Not comfortable at all	1
Not comfortable with any of that. It will make them feel like in a prison	1
Not forcing my child to wear a mask all day.	1
Not having to wear a mask	1
Not making my young children wear a mask all day	1
Not requiring the children to wear maks!	1
Not wearing masks	1
Nothing at this time. It's all too unknown	1
Nothing is going to make me feel more uncomfortable with this many people in one building for 8 hours a day.	1
Nothing really makes me comfortable. I feel true comfort will only be possible after an effective vaccine is available. I feel that as long as social distancing and effective disinfection procedures are followed and the State continues to be proactive with contact tracing, we can move forward. We must follow the data.	1
Nothing will make me comfortable about sending kids back to school expecting them to wear masks.	1
Nothing will make me feel comfortable until there is a vaccine for COVID19. Half the staff doesn't do their job already and I'm expected to trust shotty protocols put in place by someone else?	1
Nothing will make me feel more or less comfortable. Nothing about this is comfortable..	1
Nothing would make me more comfovyt	1
Nothing would me us feel comfortable at this point. Our children will be doing all virtual learning.	1
Nurses office should be able to have a sick bay incase someone still sends a sick child to school. This way they can be isolated until parent can pick up.	1
Totals	171

Other - Write In	Count
Obviously everyone should wear a mask, however I can't imagine having to wear a mask for 7 to 8 hours	1
Offering virtual learning as an option	1
On a normal day, there's no soap in the students bathrooms, how can parents be assured all of the above choices will be meticulously followed?	1
Plexi Barriers	1
Plexiglass around desks in cases of coughing and sneezing and classes teaching the children NIOT TO TOUCH THEIR FACE AND PROPER	1
Regular faculty COVID tests	1
Regular hand washing intervals for the kids and teachers.	1
Remote learning until we can go back to normal.	1
Remove the penalty for the chronic absenteeism which promotes parents medicating feverish children for school.	1
School as normal.	1
Smaller class sizes	1
Socially distanced access to restrooms and allowing students to carry water to avoid the use of water fountains	1
Some do not exhibit fever if they are a carrier of the virus	1
Strict Enforcement of the guidelines and regulations	1
Strict with NO: hugs, holding hands, kisses, 6 feet of social distance, lending school supplies, and more.	1
Temperature checks are useless when parents give their children Advil or Motrin to lower a fever. You will have parents sending sick children to school because they don't want to miss work or keep them home.	1
Temperature checks aren't going to be 100% because they're gonna be parents who send their kids to school medicated to keep fevers down for as long as they can.	1
Temperature checks entering the building is useless. If a student is ill and rides a bus, that whole bus is exposed before they even get to the school.	1
Totals	171

<b>Other - Write In</b>	<b>Count</b>
Temperature checks should be done more than once. How do we know a child wasn't medicated prior to coming into school.	1
Temperatures checked before students get on a bus. Immediate lockdown of classes where students or staff test positive.	1
The nurse should be able to test sick students if they have Covid.	1
The option to NOT wear a mask	1
The school and school board to stop blindly following the ridiculous policies for this non-pandemic	1
To return when covid is clear	1
Tracking, regular testing, vaccine	1
Undecided	1
Unless my children are able to go back to school without having to wear a mask or be socially distant from other people, I will be homeschooling them as a homeschool environment will not be as traumatizing and uncomfortable. Children need to breathe freely and socialize with others without having to worry about how close they are to each other.	1
Unless social distancing and PPE are no longer required I would not be comfortable	1
Until there is a working vaccine, all children, staff, administration, etc., Are safer if the school operates virtually	1
Vaccine	1
Vernon schools can not handle outbreaks of regular flu seasons, strep or lice for that matter. I am not confident that they can keep the school clean or to the standards required by the NJSBOH	1
Very uncomfortable at this time	1
Wash hands, discouraging face touching. That's it. Masks will do more harm than good. Discouraging touching is fine but these kids need normalcy.	1
Wearing no masks	1
When they aren't required to wear masks or social distance	1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>171</b>

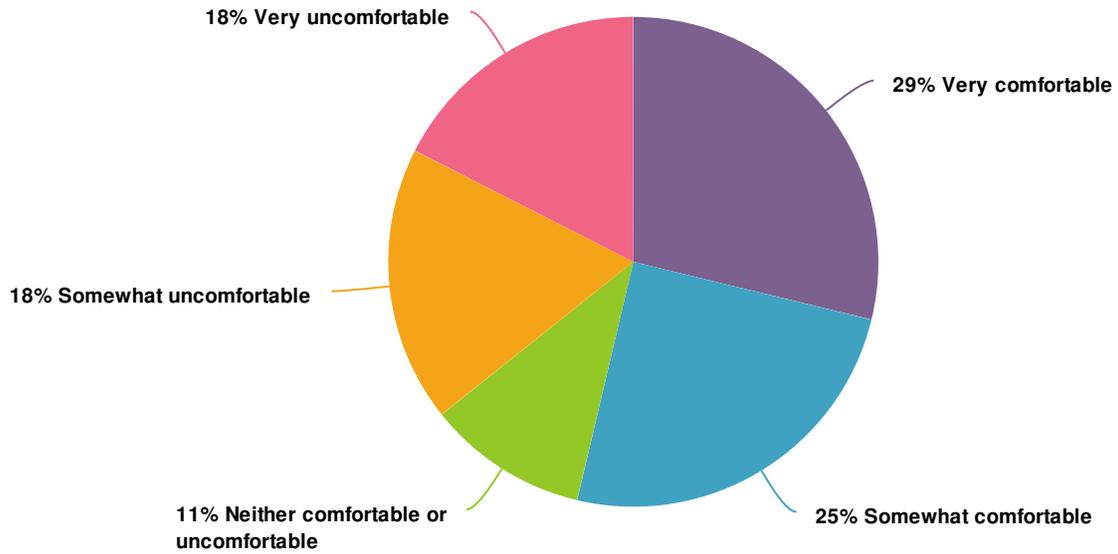
Other - Write In	Count
While temperature checks are a good idea, Tylenol can easily be used to potentially normalize temperature. I would hope it would not be the case, but some parents who have to work have undoubtedly lowered a fever with Tylenol in order to send children to school.	1
Will you provide masks if the one they have is damaged, contaminated, sneezed in, etc??	1
ability to actually wash hands not just use sanitizers	1
again I do not see it being comfortable for anyone to wear masks for a full day. if temperatures are monitored by the school and masking is used, the 6 ft social distancing becomes less of a concern. There is no way all students and staff in school at the same time will work safely. Sanitizing hands as students enter and leave rooms would be important, food handlers in full PPE and those handlers handing food to student v self serve-all disposable plates/forks/knives/spoons/cups. Plastic shields at check out work, but in every store cash is used and the cashier is wearing gloves so having the school operate differently is a mute point	1
educate the children	1
kindergarten kids having a regular schedule	1
many/most of the special needs kids would likely not wear masks - I'd feel better knowing their exposure to other students/staff (not from their class) could be limited	1
my concern is more about my child not wanting to wear a mask or breathing well through it and the lack of socializing that will be permitted	1
none of this	1
not comfortable sending my son to school as of yet	1
unfortunately, i see parents sending sick children to school in good days, so i'm sure they will give them Tylenol and send them to schools just the same now. What other symptoms can the school check for, besides temperature, to turn the students away? i think runny noses and many other symptoms should be an alarm.	1
vaccine	1
vaccine is made available	1
weekly covid tests administered to students, and adults who work at school	1
Totals	171

## 26. What are your concerns regarding student contact? (check all that apply)



Value	Percent	Responses
Lack of social distance in classrooms	40.7%	584
Lack of social distance in hallways	42.3%	606
Students coming to school ill	74.3%	1,065
Students not able to follow safety protocols (masks, social distance, etc.)	51.7%	742
Students not willing to follow safety protocols (masks, social distance, etc.)	58.6%	841
Students having to change rooms for different classes	27.8%	399
Students having to use shared equipment (computers, SmartBoard, art supplies, science equipment, etc.)	49.0%	702
I have no concerns regarding student contact	16.9%	242

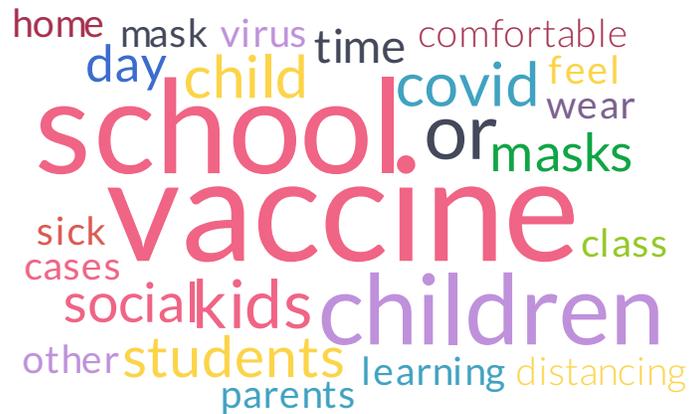
27. As of today, knowing what you know regarding COVID-19 and its transmission, how comfortable do you feel sending your child to school in the Fall?



Value	Percent	Responses
Very comfortable	28.8%	416
Somewhat comfortable	24.9%	360
Neither comfortable or uncomfortable	10.6%	153
Somewhat uncomfortable	18.2%	263
Very uncomfortable	17.5%	253

Totals: 1,445

28. What would help raise your comfort level to where you would send your child to school in the Fall?



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10                    Nothing. I will not send my child

14                    nothing. Classrooms are over crowded. Children in the primary schools have no sense of personal space because they are little. All it takes is for one child to be asymptomatic and a carrier for other children and staff to become infected when they touch their backpack from home or remove their mask and touch their face. It only takes one single person for it to spread. We absolutely will not send our children to school. Virtually learning has been a challenge, but its one that we are more than willing to face instead of risking my children's lives not knowing how COVID19 could affect them. My son has asthma issues and has to use inhalers daily.

16                    Again nothing. I don't feel our district can adequately prepare to safely open in September. I don't trust other parents to ensure safety of their kids or themselves. As it is parents send their children to school sick without COVID.

20                    Doesn't matter. Not allowing my child to wear a mask in school.

26                    Only remote learning will make me comfortable. Kids cannot be expected to wear masks correctly for hours.

29                    CDC approved Continuous cleaning Throughout Day.

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- 38 Detailed information on what the exact school day will be like for my son. Is it really helpful to be in the building if you have little to no interaction with other students and have to remain 6 feet apart from your teachers at all times? They will sit alone all day near kids but not with other kids. How can they eat next to one another with their masks off safely? Do you really think they will eat silently to avoid possible exposure? How will you have each student safely wash their hands prior to and after finishing eating their food as most lunches are handheld foods? What happens if students don't have or run out of water during the day? Surely the water fountains are not safe at this time. Would they skip taking the majority of "specials" classes as they usually require sharing supplies? There are so many unknowns right now and I do not think you should be considering risking all of these students and their families' lives just to make school more convenient for the parents.
- 39 Nothing. It's the not knowing where all students and their families have been or what they've been exposed to. I can't control that. People send sick children to school all the time.
- 43 Having a cure for the virus
- 44 If they find some type of medicine that cures or lessens COVID symptoms
- 49 If there was more room in the school to spread out better.
- 53 0 new cases in nj for a month
- 57 Appropriate protection against Covid exposure.
- 58 Much smaller class sizes
- 63 orientation to observe protocol and disinfectant resources for children, especially bathrooms where we are constantly told there is no soap in boys bathrooms.
- 66 If there was guaranteed social distancing at all times, including hallways, classrooms or lunches. Everyone wearing a mask at all times. Phys Ed classes be more independent because they can't breathe with a mask on and with running and sweating that's more chances of spreading the virus. All desks and doorknobs and anything publicly used be wiped down in between classes. Single file 6' apart coming in to and out of the school. All temps being taken because I know parents send their kids in sick because they have no other option when they have to work. Also, the option to keep your child home and do virtual should you end up not feeling comfortable with your own child going, based on the daily routines.
- 83 Modified schedule. Hard for young kids to wear mask all day!!
- 90 I don't think there's anything that can make me feel comfortable. I don't see how, especially the younger kids, especially girls who like to hug like my daughter, will be able to social distance. Also, my now 8th grader has asthma & has a hard time breathing in masks. He cannot get through the school day wearing a mask.

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117	I would prefer mostly on line learning. We have a household with autoimmune comprised members
119	Honestly I'm not sure! The fact that they would be in school for 7hrs a day with a face mask restricting the correct air flow needed is concerning.. I'm uncomfortable going to the store with them on.. can you imagine these children having to sit there with all that PPE on all day long! It's going to be uncomfortable and frustrating for them!
129	I like the idea some school learning and remote learning.
131	Covid disappearing
132	If the number of cases of Covid19 disappears or diminishes greatly in our region, then I would feel more comfortable. I don't think expecting each child to wear a mask all day everyday is a realistic expectation, and we cannot rely on them to do so. If the numbers go down I will feel comfortable. If they don't, maybe we can have a later reinstatement option? Winter or spring? The first half of the year remote? I'm going to have a newborn at home in the fall so it's a very stressful time to wing it and send my kids to kindergarten and second grade and just hope for the best.
143	At this time I'm uncomfortable with any effort majority of the illnesses come from school and parents sending sick children in which would make it difficult for staff to contain illnesses such as flu colds and caught common but COVID is a different illness so not comfortable taking the chance
153	Until. there is a vaccine, I will be on edge. Proper disinfecting, PPE , social distancing are all important. I think if there are sporting events, amount of observers need to be limited and participators must have their temps taken prior to game.
154	Knowing that this illness is completely gone and my child won't have to wear a mask and have a normal bus route.
155	A vaccine
159	A vaccine
164	A vaccine for COVID19
176	Temperature checks before children allowed to enter the building
177	More cases decrease. Dont know what's going to happen when were fully open. I think september is too soon to send them back. We should give this more time
178	For Covid-19 to be eliminated
180	A culture of mandatory safety based on science and fact.

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183	Proven vaccine or therapy. Emotionally I am unsure of what the regulations and disciplinary actions that will ensue when young kids struggle with necessary regulations. Young students will find this difficult and maybe upsetting. There is enough social and emotional issues with covid, the stark difference from the reality to their developmental abilities is an issue.
186	If covid 19 was gone or a vaccine or cure was made.
187	It is too early to make that decision.
196	Pandemic free school year. My child loves school and if she has to follow distance guidelines and lack of interaction with friends she will end up hating school.
197	Parents participating and following protocol
207	A working vaccine or personal bubbles.
208	one of my concerns is some kids refuse to follow rules..some kids actually think it's "cool" to not follow rules.. another concern , wearing a mask for long period isn't easy..I've been trained in ppe as well as fit tested for over 20 years therefore i know what it's like..yet i do believe some people that aren't trained can wear a mask for a long period , there are others that can and most likely will experience breathing problems as well as anxiety.. concern #3 , changing air filters during the summer according to OSHA is a pre-covid-19 law.. I'm sure you have looked into UV light sanitizing.. #4 school bathrooms! that's going to be tough to keep up with.. #5 the whole "kids eating in areas other than cafeteria" can become hazardous for a lot of reasons.one being , you can't eat with a mask on.. i can go on and on with concerns but please know that whatever decision our district makes my family and i thank you for doing your best at trying to keep the ball rolling.. we can do this but only if we do it together.. be safe
209	Plexiglass in front and side of desk added protection Sanitizers at desks Sink and soap in every class Extra mask availability in case mask breaks
212	If there was a vaccine or curable treatment available.
218	A vaccine
224	nothing
230	A vaccine
235	I believe a hybrid approach to learning would be the best clas sizes bring greatly reduced. Alternating in class and online learning. I believe teachers need to do better with supplying live streaming classes. My kids would not take buss. They will be driven to eliminate the risk on the bus.

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236	Understanding how you will handle kids who are absent bc they are sick or because their siblings are sick. How you will handle ensuring families attend the same days if we have a tiered day/on off schedule.
239	When they come up with a vaccine. I am not concerned for the immediate family - I'm more concerned with extended family.
245	My comfort level would be fine if you allow kids to go back not wearing PPE. You will be ruining their learning experience if they are miserable breathing there own hot breathe for hours on end. And not being able to socialize with there friends. It will be like sending them to prison!
255	Every 14 day testing of all for covid blood tests and daily temperature tests and tracking that can be viewed as well as antibody testing
258	There is nothing that will help make me feel comfortable. Until covid is over completely and nothing to worry about that is the only thing that will give me peace of mind.
269	Not sure, covid killed a family member of ours
272	It's not within your control yet. I would love to see the State (Health and DOE, for example) give us some more guidance some the school could be prepared. I would be most comfortable having my child on an alternating schedule of one week at school, one week at home. I would like to learn more about what will be done with transportation. Thank you so much for working so hard on this difficult issue! I appreciate this committee very much and all you are doing to make things go as smoothly as possible with your control.
277	I am unsure at this moment
297	a solid plan. there are many parts to it, but if we are not careful, we are going to have another, worse, pandemic in the fall.
302	A hybrid schedule
307	Knowing the number of cases have dropped significantly.
312	Other parents being responsible and not sending them to school just because of their work schedules
315	I am not sure there is anything that would help raise my comfort level as I'm not confident I will be sending my child to school if they will open.
331	I wouldn't send them unless it was completely back to normal, no mask, social distancing, a child needs to have interaction with other kids. Having them in school and not be able to play or anything will harm them more than if we had remote learning

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334	If there was a vaccine for the virus. I feel that even if the school is clean, everyone wears masks, and they social distance the damage we are doing on our children is still happening, just mentally not physically. You cannot expect children to go to school and not socialize, not touch things. I do not think most children can wear a mask for 7 hours a day. Can most adults even? So if masks are mandatory I do not think I would send my children. Yes the masks and extra measures protect them from the virus but then the children cannot even play with their friends, socialize and learn at their 100% capacity cause they are worried they will get the virus.
337	A majority of people in my experience chose not to follow or are against procedures needed to protect themselves
349	Covid continuing to decline which doesn't seem likely.
351	Unless a vaccine is discovered I'm not very comfortable sending my child to school.
366	No COVID cases...at least on the county level.
368	Vaccine
372	Social distancing and taking temperature also for staff and students.
373	If everything was back to normal or close to it before this pandemic happened
380	Not sure
384	There needs to be a treatment or vaccine
395	I need a guarantee the schools will actually be cleaned and sick children will not be allowed to come to school.
400	A vaccine
408	My child has allergies and seasonal asthma, not great to wear a mask all day!! I have a compromised immune system, with autoimmune disease, if I'm not required to go to work, I dont want my son having to go to school!
409	An available, required, vaccine. Which won't happen by September.
410	It would depend on the situation and widespread it has become at that time
411	Until a vaccine is released I will not feel comfortable at all. Come colder weather and flu season I fear this virus coming back. I am not willing to expose my child and take that risk. He has severe asthma and so do I and we also have a newborn in the house. No precautions will ease that fear.
420	This virus would have to be completely irradiated for me to feel comfortable sending my children to school.

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425 How do you teach a 3 year old to social distance and keep a mask on the whole school day?

429 Waiting until October or November to see if Covid 19 cases are rising in NJ. This is based on medical experts statements that this could be the case in the fall.

433 A vaccine

442 A vaccine

443 Vaccine

447 When I see number start to drop with people not being sick or dieing. I don't trust anyone!! I don't work so my children for fine to be home.

451 Knowing that the protocol is going to be enforced. What worries me is the fact that the kids won't be thinking about what they are doing and not be as safe as an adult would be in this situation. Especially the younger kids.

453 There isn't a safe way to send the younger grades back. As the parent of a child going to kindergarten, I know there isn't a great option for keeping a mask on his face (especially during services such as speech) and to keep him from touching shared surfaces. I know the schools hands are tied!

457 Educate people.

472 When they aren't required to wear masks have temps checked or do social distancing

479 A vaccine

494 A vaccine which is unlikely. Only a very reduced in person schedule with a third of the students present at best.

514 Splitting the days do 1/2 of the children are in school for a 1/2day at a time. Also all of the protocol; masks , distancing, no lunches, seated apart , disinfecting. I also think in time it will get relaxed and that's a concern. Also some children may not stop touching their masks ..major concern.

517 Depends on what happens over the summer with covid Cases increasing or whether cases stay the same or decrease. An additional nurse on staff. Ability to social distance in classrooms and halls. Nautilus to social distance at lockers! No co tact sports in gym class. Not sharing computer equipment or lockers. Alternating schedules. and consequences for students who don't follow safety protocol.

519 Reduction in class sizes, close monitoring of how kids interact with each other, monitoring of early symptoms

534 Vaccines

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537 COVID-19 testing

540 Requirement for masks and social distancing no longer being required. I don't think children can maintain distancing, PPE and other safety precautions consistently.

549 If the Covid numbers for the state reflect a progressively downward trend I would feel somewhat more comfortable .

554 If this was all over with. Because kids will be kids and how can they realistically keep masks on all day and keep their distance from their friends it's too hard for them and for them to understand especially my 6 year old going into first grade. My daughter whose 11 going into 6th grade it would be easier for her to understand and abide by the rules.

562 Nothing really, I feel for parents that are able to have their kids home they should have the choice too. The kids that have to return should return. This way the kids in school have more room to keep distant. Teacher can use Schoology or Zoom to run class simultaneously with kids at home and in class. I honestly don't see it working out. My child is in middle school, well behaved, excellent grades but just can't physically keep a mask on for too long

564 A vaccine

583 Proper testing, including antibody testing of all students, staff, and teachers; state-wide sustained decrease of new cases; proper training of all teachers & staff; special care taken with underrepresented and poor students.

588 A vaccine administered to everyone

591 Social isolation is debilitating to my children. However, every adult in our home, the only family they have, are high risk to the viruses. The amount of exposure risk far exceeds any benefit to our teen children at this time. Home schooling, with occasional small group learning activities and outings would be most beneficial to learning as well as safest for our family during what is known now in this pandemic

595 Very little. I have a lack of confidence that our facilities are equipped to maintain social distance. I also see the whole school doormat changing and eliminating the few "fun" parts of school. Nothing was mentioned regarding lockers being on top of each other, gym class, music class, or recess.

596 Nothing will help comfort me. People cannot be trusted to do the right thing, so as much as I protect my children, as much as they protect themselves, if they are around people who aren't following guidelines, they have a chance of catching this virus.

606 An effective vaccine

610 When I don't have to worry about Covid 19

614 phased restart and seeing what transpires as we get back to work and open businesses

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628 I would only send my children back if a vaccine was released. Everyone gets vaccinated, and he/she can prove it. Then the schools can reopen. Other vaccines are required for children to attend school, so why is this any different?

635 If there were no underlying health issues that compromise her immune system it would be different and easier to say; still too many unknowns about the virus at this point in time.

640 If there are effective treatment protocols to mitigate the effects of the virus.

642 There are a lot of parents in this town that don't believe in Covid, feel it's a hoax, etc. I think masks should be required unless a medical note is submitted from a doctor. Parents should not be able to make decisions for their kids based on false politics.

652 I appreciate the district sending out the survey but it's difficult to give opinions on reopening schools because information changes daily and we are unsure what COVID is going to look like a few months from now. I do not think my six-year-old will be capable of appropriately wearing a mask all day. And while none of my immediate family members have underlying health conditions that we are aware of, returning to school with mean no longer seeing family members who may be compromised to ensure we do not put them at risk. I want my children to return to school, but without knowing what numbers are going to look like and what transmissions are going to look like as we get closer to school, I cannot make a decision on whether or not I would send my child at this time. I also think this survey is difficult to fill out because parents of older children are going to fill this out much differently than parents of younger children. I would have very little reservations about sending a middle or high school student to the school but I can't see how first graders are going to be socially distance or appropriately wear PPE because of their age. I also have concerns about the fear and stress this will put on young students. At this time I would be most comfortable with a rotating schedule of T/R and M/W/F, but still have concerns since I work two full days a week. Availability and encouragement to use hand sanitizer and wash hands is a must. Temp checks would also be helpful.

657 Out of my 3 Children attaneding HS in teh fall, 2 of the have Asthma along with myself so I am very concerned as we have underlying health issues. Also, children cannot wear masks all day. I wear them in the stores and after 15 min I can't breathe

661 That people are honest and keep their sick children home

667 Covid not existing at all

668 I don't know if I have an answer. I've been working through this whole pandemic and it's still scary. And my main concern is mental health and just getting my kids to understand this without scaring them.

677 Unsure

687 No masks

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- 694 As of right now nothing, child cannot keep her mask on for more that 1 minute. As an adult in the healthcare field, I feel uncomfortable wearing a mask at work, touching my face, taking it off, breathing.
- 711 Having a vaccine or cure available.
- 713 If school and the world returned back to normal and thought critically about what they are teaching our children
- 722 1. If teachers moved classroom to classroom. Less activity in the hall and less exposure to using items other children have used the same day. 2. If the kids use lockers possibly having them keep their supplies in designated rooms that they could potentially stay in all day if the teachers move room to room instead of all the students. Having students only moving between rooms when necessary based on individual needs. 3. Im not really sure but obviously what they were doing isn't going to work anymore. 4. Having the child be required to take take antibody test/viral test it will give the school an idea of who has already had the virus and who's at risk of getting it and potentially becoming a spread risk factor.
- 725 A vaccine. My child will be entering 1st grade, and I have serious concerns about her wearing a mask all day. To the store, or around other people for a short time, fine. But all day? There is no way that is good for a young child, let alone practical. And if kindergarten was any indication, it will be IMPOSSIBLE to avoid contact between students. Our daughter was pushed, punched, kicked on a weekly (if not daily) basis. I have very little faith that the administration will be able to enforce social distancing amongst students at this age. But at the same time, she needs to be in a classroom.
- 726 Nothing
- 734 The only way I will feel comfortable is when they really have it under control. Which they (not the school, the gov't) do not. That makes me uncomfortable.
- 739 We are not ready. I think infection rates will rise.
- 743 honestly I think you can have all the safety measures in place but kids are still not going to follow it 100%..
- 744 Maybe an AM/PM sessions and the kids not switching classrooms. Teachers move classrooms. More outdoor learning. Half day remote classroom
- 760 A VACCINE ! I've tested my children over the past several months and tried to ask them NOT TO TOUCH THEir FACE MOSt FAILED WITHIN A SHORT OERIOD OF TIME THE ONLY REASON I WORRY IS lbecause I HAVE ASTHMA AND I COULD GET VERY SICK WIND UP ON A VENT or worse You have to worry about the kids bringing it home to anyone with Diabetes or high blood pressure or Any lung issue All co morbidity issues It could kill them and you are more contagious before you show symptoms So until vaccine , they should learn online

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763	I'm not really sure if I will ever be comfortable with it and that just comes with being a parent and wanting to protect your child. Maybe smaller class size and ensuring social distancing at all times could help along with disinfecting and safety procedure such as masks, temp checks, etc.
768	The virus being 100% gone in the US. It will be impossible to maintain a minimum of 6' social distancing if children are in school, while still receiving the educational opportunities that should be afforded to them.
773	See above.
777	There is no way to predict how school children will react to any of the cleanliness and safety measures laid out in the reopening protocols. Having to trust that kids will keep socially distant on the bus and in classrooms, that they'll wear masks *all day long*, that they'll not touch each other during gym class or even share pencils--it all seems to go against human nature.
792	A vaccine to covid19 would raise my comfort level. Frequent testing and a decline in covid 19 would help. Limiting the amount of children gathering in one spot including the hallways.
793	A vaccine
799	Vaccine
806	when masks and are no longer used anymore.
815	A treatment of course of treatment for Covid 19
826	I'm more concern with my child's need of constant supervision to follow directions in something as simple as washing his hands and not being able to follow through with it causing him to be the carrier 😊 of germs
834	Less students on the bus and occupying the school at any given time. I'd be more comfortable if they went in on a designated day and remotely the rest.
835	Vaccine
846	nothing right now
860	A vaccine
861	I'm not sure
864	Having a cure for virus

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877	I need to see more of a decline in people getting sick. We are choosing to not do summer camp this summer to keep the kids out of harms way and I work from home and my husband works only part time. I just don't trust other people to continue to make wise decisions especially when protest groups are still out
880	Remote learning is the best way as of right now for our 2 children if PPE is to be worn. While remote learning IEPs MUST be followed for all students. While remote learning may be difficult for some, teachers must be teaching the class online while the class is going on.
886	If covid was clear and back to normal life
887	Not much at this point!
891	More specific plans, information sessions with parents, question and answers exchanged, etc.
892	A vaccine or improved treatments We have lung issues and could get really sick
896	My son and I both have health issues. I had a stroke and brain surgery my immune system is compromised.
903	You can't expect children under 13 to follow guidelines. I also have seen nothing over the past 90 days that convinces me this district will do anything beyond protect the union labor. Reduce your staff and invest in the actual education.
906	More proof on medications and solutions to the illness. Right now we really aren't successful in treating it.

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910 I am a nurse, working with covid patients. The mode of transmission is contact, airborne, droplet. Our ppe includes hair coverings, shoe covering, gowns, n95 surgical mask face shield and double gloves,. Some healthcare facilities even implement shoe changes in and out of rooms. For every 15 mins you are in contact with a positive patient your risk increases. Many people show no signs of fever and are asymptomatic. Cleaning is difficult depending on the age range of children, hygiene practices, willingness to wear ppe, etc. Most people are unaware of cross contamination and this will be very difficult to control. I do not think every other day or 3 days is the right approach. It should be longer time frames, such as every 2 weeks for in school and virtual with small class sizes alternating. This way students who may be infected are less likely to infect alternate schedule children. Also I have seen companies claiming to sanitize where they blow sanitizer into areas. I don't see this being sufficient, based on covid particles can be Re-aerosolized or reactivated into the air. Droplet particles are so tiny the likelihood of disinfection will be partial. Ultraviolet decontamination is now being used. The list of issues could go on forever... it all depends on if and when there is a second wave. I think having children tested for antibodies wouldn't be a bad idea. It may make families feel more comfortable, and assist with grouping class rooms based on whether children have or have not been exposed. Also, when people are infected and showing symptoms it can take anywhere from days to month Ed until they actually test negative. In the hospital you have to test negative twice with several weeks between tests in order to come off isolation. This is something to think about when controlling the return to school protocol for children who have been infected.

911 a vaccine

915 A vaccine

932 That would depend on how what we know about the virus come fall.

941 Less students per class, hire more aides to help with social distancing and the use of PPE.

944 Children that are 8 years old cannot be expected to sit contained at desks 6 feet apart wearing masks all day. This is NOT the type of educational facility that I would like my children exposed to. Therefore, homeschooling would be preferred so that my children can be children, can show their faces, can learn school in a hands-on way and explore and emotionally develop as children should.

951 I don't believe there is anything other than a vaccine that would raise my comfort level. Children are so unpredictable and it's asking a lot of them to march around with masks on all day. I just don't see how they will be able to have lunch or playground or take any of the much needed breaks during the day and still remain within the standards and protocols.

953 A set plan.

955 Maybe do. Alternating days freshman and seniors together that would help with buses because most seniors drive sophomores and juniors go together on alternating days

956 I don't want them to wear masks I feel the kids to continue remote learning

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963	Strict enforcement of social distancing and hygiene for everyone in the schools.
965	When the numbers drop
968	Seeing some (if not all) of these steps mentioned above implemented.
973	Offering virtual learning as an option until NJ COVID rules are no longer in effect. Families should not be forced to send kids to school and it will be almost impossible to control the hallways Bathrooms and social distancing. There is not enough staff to control it under normal circumstances.
995	A vaccine
1001	I don't know since everything is still uncertain
1004	All children and staff would need to wear masks. All temperatures would need to be monitored (too many parents knowingly send their kids to school while ill) hand washing needs to be encouraged and forced regularly. Antibacterial cleaner needs to be in classrooms and used regularly to wipe down surfaces. No sharing of supplies. Bus monitor on each bus for younger children. No contact activities. (If Physical education is operating, it should be focusing more on personal exercise and whatever keeps people from touching each other.) also need a method of disinfecting shared computers, library books, art supplies, music equipment, etc. no school property should be taken home, to avoid contamination and bringing other outside bacteria into school. Masks need to be either washable, or replaced weekly
1007	Waiting to see how the numbers/cases are by the end of summer, now that NJ is opening up.
1013	A varied schedule with some on site and some virtual learning.
1021	A vaccine. With all precautions in place they are contingent upon the fidelity with which they are applied. This is a huge risk and nothing that can be guaranteed.
1024	A combination of in school and remote learning. 2 days in school 3 days remote.
1025	A vaccine ;) Seriously, I don't know what would help. This is an impossible situation.
1037	I would much rather continue schooling online. As my son will only be entering first grade I think all of this will be very confusing to him and I'm not convinced that it would be great for either his emotional or physical health.
1039	Fully knowing no is in the school while ill

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1041	Realisticly, I am all for staying home one more school year. Until the virus is a mute issue or a vaccine has been tested successfully, we have no real need to return to school building and jeopardize any persons health. Remote learning works for the homeschooling children it can work for us.
1049	Allowing the kids to homeschool
1050	Vaccine availability. Lower infection rate.
1052	COVID 19 vaccine
1058	If the virus suddenly disappears that is the ONLY way I would feel comfortable sending my children. I am a widow and my children need me so I don't need them exposed and bringing it home to all of us.
1070	There are no guarantees social distancing will work in school, in fact, considering they are not social distancing now, you can be guaranteed it will not work. The thought that this would actually work is silly. I would vote for remote school, BUT REMOTE SCHOOL FOR THE UPPER GRADES HAS BEEN A DISASTER. THERE HAS BEEN ZERO INSTRUCTION. ASSIGNING WORK AND CHECKING TO SEE IF IT HAS BEEN TURNED IN, IS NOT EDUCATION!! I SEE THE LOWER GRADES STARTING WITH PRESCHOOL, ON ZOOM MEETINGS WITH THEIR TEACHERS, HAVING INTERACTION. NONE OF THAT IS HAPPENING AT THE UPPER LEVELS. JUST GO LOOK AND SEE HOW MANY TEACHERS ARE ON THE GOLF COURSE EVERY AFTERNOON. WHERE IS THE OVERSIGHT?????? KEEP CONGRATULATING YOURSELVES AT BOARD MEETINGS, THIS HAS NOT BEEN A STELLAR PERFORMANCE BY VERNON SCHOOLS.
1075	Historical Data with past pandemics, the unknown of this virus, and there is NO Vaccine are all things working against my comfort level - besides asymptomatic carriers
1076	If they found a cure for the virus
1082	A vaccine Also to mention the rule of everyone hold onto the railings in stairwells is of course important, but also a huge factor to spreading germs especially if they have all "justed washed their hands for lunch" and then walk down stairs to the cafeteria.
1090	If the virus disappeared completely or a vaccine was available.
1100	Everyone being required to wear masks. Enforcing social distancing but I think the masks are most important but I am not confident that everyone will follow the rules especially based on what I saw around town during the lockdown. People still were not following guidelines.
1110	Social distancing, mask and doing away with the number of (18) sick days before they get penalized for activities since children especially high school attends school while sick.
1114	Knowing that my children are 100% not going to get sick.

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1122 Everyone entering the school has been tested and those tests are available for viewing online

1124 Allowing the option of remote learning to students instead of in class learning

1128 If there was treatment available for covid19. There are no medications at this time known to treat the infection.

1132 I think more time and information has to become available regarding the virus. It's too soon to head back into crowded buildings. I have a toddler at home with asthma, and a mother with diabetes. It's just not safe yet.

1134 I will follow directions from district and adapt. As we reopen and watch upticks and infection trends through the summer my comfort level will strengthen. Still so many unknowns.

1141 The virus is gone and my child doesn't have to wear a face mask for an extended period of time.

1148 Make sure that everyone will follow safety rules but one thing I know for sure that nobody can guarantee that because of the amount of the students

1149 Vaccines

1152 A child cannot wear a mask all day. Also making them social distance is emotional for them. It won't happen.

1153 I'm not too sure yet

1155 Less cases, a vaccine with high efficacy and low side effect potential, confident prediction of the ability of children to follow distancing and hygiene protocol predictably, confidence that children will keep cloth masks on for 7 hours a day, confidence that children will not pick their nose and then hide that they did so, confidence that other parents don't send their sick, pre-medicated children to school so that they can go to work. Confidence that families report accurately to the school and health officials when they are sick, so that their children can observe quarantine for 14 days and not spread the disease. The use of Merv13 rated virucidal filters in the HVAC system to avoid any aerosols from spreading throughout the building. The use of N95 masks and full PPE for staff that must come within 6 feet of a student such as special ed teachers and paraprofessionals, and nurses or temperature takers. I am being asked to potentially trust my child's life and that of my family, that all of these things are in place sight unseen, in order to mitigate the risk of severe illness and/or death in the fall when it is known that it is quite possible we will have a spike in cases. My child will most likely, not be attending face to face and I would prefer continuing remote learning.

1162 As of now I would not send my child to school knowing they would need to wear a mask and social distance. I do not feel kids that age are able to keep masks on all day, and I think not being able to be near their friends and teachers will negatively impact them.

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1171 Staff only wearing masks. No children in masks

1184 It would raise my comfort level if the number of cases would decrease to an extremely low number.

1187 I'm going to feel uneasy no matter what. It would be comforting to know if you have someone constantly disinfecting the rooms and things the staff and children touch. My children also give me a hard time wearing masks, if this is made to look cool and fun or even if they make their own in art or something, then I would feel like they'll actually keep it on and like them.

1189 Would want them to continue on line courses as well as do a zoom classroom setting to get their grades up

1193 remote learning only for time being

1196 A vaccine

1209 Parents sending their child in to school when they are sick and the fact that how are to going to enforce wearing masks in school.

1215 A cure for covid-19

1216 I need to see what the professionals (federal and local government and medical professionals think). If students have to wear masks and stay 6 feet apart because the risk is so great that those precautions must be taken, then I do not feel comfortable because that is impossible no matter how hard you plan. It won't work

1228 Having a better treatment for Covid-19 & more understanding of the child inflammatory illness kids are presenting.

1230 A miracle.

1233 A vaccine

1235 If the state has no new cases, if there is a vaccine...

1237 Children need there education, no expectations should be considered otherwise

1252 I believe it needs to be looked at as a grade by grade type solution, maybe k-4 remote learning? Young kids need help with this stuff... Even the older kids and staff will need fresh air, they need to be able to safely remove the masks as much as (safely) possible too.

1273 A vaccine

1275 I would rather see hybrid and remote

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1291	At the moment I am scared of my child keeping the mask on staying 6 feet from friends and teachers.
1296	I feel confident that the faculty and administration have the best of intentions to do everything within their power to keep the kids (as well as themselves) safe and healthy, however, as of today I am not comfortable with sending my kids back to school just yet. My level of discomfort is based on the uncertainty of the virus itself. Only time will tell...
1299	A vaccine and cure
1302	No virus / vaccine
1311	Child has chronic medical issues so there is nothing that would raise my comfort level attending school this fall. Too many unknowns, too many risks. Impossible to social distance in a school setting. Classrooms aren't big enough to social distance. Exposure to too many people within small areas. Every time a child touches a surface there can be contamination. Cleaning once per day doesn't solve the issue.
1316	Protocols.
1327	More scientific information on transmission.
1341	COVID-19 has to no longer be an issue or threat to my children for them to attend school in the Fall. School is a social and contact environment. It only takes one person to effect someone. It doesn't matter if it's alternating days or any other modified school schedule to try to reduce the risk. If there's a risk then it's not a safe place to send my children. I will not "take a chance" with my children's lives.
1348	Nothing really makes me comfortable. My son got the flu TWICE at school in February and early March. (Flu B then Flu A) I was always cautious of sending my children to school if they showed signs of being sick but other parents are not so considerate.
1356	I would like to feel more comfortable sending my child to preschool knowing that he is going to be able to interact on a full level. Because of the fact we pay for tuition if the students have to wear masks everyday my husband and I will probably not be sending him at all.
1358	A vaccine
1361	Currently there is nothing that gives me great comfort allowing my child to attend school in the fall. There is not enough Proven clinical data at this time.
1371	nothing
1374	A vaccine for Covid 19
1377	If the virus wasn't here at all anymore. To be honest.

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1379 If they have a Vaccine

1381 Having a vaccine

1390 I have health issues and live with my mother who has health issues. I fear for their safety as well as getting us sick. I do not know what measures could be taken to make me comfortable. But I do not feel that the current online learning is sufficient and needs to be completely changed. They also need to be social so trying to find a balance is difficult

1392 The only thing that would make me feel comfortable sending my children to school would be if the numbers continued to decrease after the removal of distancing guidelines. My kindergartner (nor my 3rd or 5th grader) will be able to wear a mask all day. I can't even go all day with a mask! Even if they wore it, they will constantly be playing with it, defeating the purpose of wearing one in the first place.

1397 A cure

1410 Not sure.

1413 Requiring students to properly wear masks, desks and shared computers etc to be sanitized between each class , lunch in classrooms at desks, walking in Hallways to change classes to be limited to a small amount of students at a time.. hand sanitizer available at entry to each classroom

1435 I would need to be able to physically see the precautions in place prior to them attending. Meaning as seeing the bus setup, the classroom setup, the hallways, etc.

1443 A vaccine

1445 Having a vaccine in place prior to school reopening.

1450 Until there is some sort of treatment for the covid or a vaccine starting to be deployed or a steady reduction of cases I would prefer to not have my child return to school. I would recommend a voluntary return to school who feel comfortable and have the children that are not comfortable participate with the class room remotely. That would help with social distancing, and encourage kids to stay home if they are not feeling well. Online seemed to work ok if the child was putting in the effort.

1453 It sounds like the district has important (prospective) procedures and plans in place. I would be most comfortable with my children going to school for the minimal amount of time possible each day. Also, I would be comforted knowing that our teachers and substitute teachers are being well taken care of in the way of protection, as well as having a protocol for monitoring symptoms.

1459 I would need a clear and concise plan of how this will be monitored and enforced. Many times parents give children medicine before school and still send them off sick. I would need to know that the safety of our students and staff would be of the utmost importance.

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1465 Checking everyone's temperatures.

1479 A Vaccine This is such a complex situation rather than rushing back into schools where my children always are sick during the FALL maybe online til its safer to do so.

1481 I don't know

1483 An approved, effective medical treatment for the virus. A widely administered vaccine. I'd like to think that if my child was older I would feel more comfortable, but I'm deeply concerned that the kindergarten experience children deserve to build their educational foundation will be immensely impacted in a negative way by the potential limitations outlined by government guidelines. Masks on 5 year olds all day greatly concerns me for a variety of reasons- health/sanitation/breathing quality, distractibility, comfort, etc. Teachers wearing masks will impact intelligibility and make it especially difficult to teach foundational skills like phonics when the students cannot see and replicate how different sounds are made using the mouth. At this point, small class sizes would be a must for teachers in any district to successfully perform every aspect of their job for the youngest student population, in my opinion.

1487 A vaccine

1488 A better understanding of the virus. Some kind of vaccine

1489 We have been following strict guidelines and we have felt very comfortable with distance learning. That option is the best fit for my family.

1493 Not sure

1501 Fewer students in class at one time ability to be socially distance.

1506 Knowing that the children still get to be safe and have socialization, let's see how the numbers look when the state starts to reopen

1509 The Fall with re-opening plans are being considered but what about a long term plan for the late fall / winter. Some colleges are already telling students not to return after Thanksgiving and classes will be all virtual through winter break. Having long-term flexible plans to get through the winter would be helpful.

1519 Knowing you have a plan that will be followed. Making sure everyone in the district will be safe. Having procedures in place for students to return safely as well as staff.

1524 Unable to answer as we can not control how other families conduct themselves while outside of the school. Unfortunately this virus is extremely contagious. We know that the students are going to have a difficult time being diligent with their PPE and social distancing. Eventually everyone will let their guard down and that is when we need to worry. Other than putting on a mask or staying distanced, we have no more to truly fight COVID today than we did on March 13th when we shut things down. Until there is a vaccine, it is going to be difficult to feel comfortable sending our children to school.

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1533 You can answer that your self

1536 This will be completely unhelpful, but I dont know. I like the temperature taking although by the time the temperature is taken if it is high all the children around the kid with the fever could be contagious. And how will the poor kid with the fever feel? This is a very hard time. Thank you for all your hard work trying to figure this out.

1537 A vaccine

1540 Having a vaccine.

1547 This just started

1548 To be honest I don't feel comfortable sending my kids to school during this pandemic. I feel that sept and October might be ok but then the numbers might increase and I rather my kids not get a chance to get sick. Virtual learning is the way to go. Teachers can create videos just like they are teaching in a classroom and share ( that helped my boys and they did amazing) I know it's not easy but in our town we have many people that commute to NY or other cities in NJ. The risk is high for the students and teachers. Thanks

1555 A vaccine

1564 Realistically we can not expect schools to sanitize every little surface multiple times throughout the day. Either we make the decision to bring the kids back to school or we continue remote learning. If remote learning is chosen, the parents and kids will benefit from having weekly curriculum provided ahead of time in order to properly prepare and teach ourselves as well

1576 A vaccine for Covid-19.

1584 Science based facts about how the virus has spread over the summer along with a science based estimate of how it may go for the fall. I still think we are at a wait and see period. Sadly, living in a red county I fear many students and their families will not follow science based protocols putting the rest of us at risk despite protections in place.

1588 A cure for COVID 19

1594 Waiting until after a vaccine comes out and continuing online until after Christmas vacation Start back in Jan 2021 Most colleges are doing it that way

1597 Waiting until Jan to start after vaccine

1599 Being normal.

1600 Decide how many students in one class room base on the size of the room, to keep social distancing; increase supervisions for hand wash and social distancing in hallway, lunch room, GYM, etc; limit bathroom occupancy; etc.

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1624 If they come up with a vaccine that would help them to not transmit the disease

1635 Vaccine available

1651 A successful education, sensibility and awareness campaign that teaches parents about the virus, it's biomechanical idiosyncrasies, and appropriate management of the disease/virus should anyone in the family come in contact with it. The availability of rapid saliva-based testing for all school personnel and students (high sensitivity and accuracy a must) The prevalence of a safe and effective vaccine. This is the ultimate item that would overall give us the confidence that our children can safely return to your establishment.

1666 If cases in the county continue to decline. If some of the measures mentioned are utilized - extra cleaning, distancing, etc. If PAPER TOWELS ARE RETURNED TO ALL BATHROOMS AT GLEN MEADOW IF TOILET COVERS ARE INSTALLED SO THEY DONT SPRAY ALL OVER WHEN FLUSHED NO TOUCH PAPER TOWEL DISPENSERS MUST BE INSTALLED AS WELL. Students should be instructed to turn off faucets with the paper towels. There should be no choir because singing is one way covid is spread easily. Gym classes should be outdoor, or if inside, very far apart! And nothing requiring any kind of real contact. If students are instructed about things like hand washing often! If temperature checks are utilized on ALL persons entering the building IF WINDOWS OF CLASSROOMS ARE NEVER PLASTICED OVER AGAIN DURING THE WINTER MONTHS If classrooms are required to keep windows open as long as possible, unless really cold, which is probably through sept. and oct. even part of nov. Cafeteria tables would need to be disinfected between each class, which is what makes me uncomfortable with eating in classrooms. The desks are dirty!

1677 I think the numbers of cases in our state should be below where they were when we began remote learning. I need to see how reopening effects the number of cases. I want reassurance that if things change and the numbers go up, they will be sent home. I need reassurance that parents who must work or have children with special needs who benefit from bring at school will comply with the rules.

1688 A vaccine or effective treatment. Or, evidence that the lock down and protective measures have worked. All current data on this virus shows that it could make quite a vicious comeback in October. We need a plan in place to handle such an event. Otherwise, we might need to look at class size. We can't have 25-30 kids per class if we are expecting them to be 6 feet apart at all times.

1708 My kids have shown me pictures throughout quarantine of other kids and their families breaking quarantine rules. What makes you think they can be trustworthy enough not to try to get a sick child inside school so they don't miss a day of work. What school employee might do a favor for someone that they shouldn't be doing. School employees have to stop and get gas, will stop for coffee or food, and in doing so they will expose themselves. How many kids will they expose until they realize they are sick. This is how it starts. While rules are in place to try to make people feel comfortable, we know that not all people are careful or follow these rules. My kids are too important to send them into a possible situation every day.

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1717 Covid didn't go away, I am worried that summer activities and how relaxed many are, will cause a major spike in cases in September/October.

1720 No masks

1731 After reading the survey I may consider doing more virtual schooling and delay the opening of school until November or so.

1740 The hybrid model needs to be implemented from the beginning so we can assess the transmission levels of this virus. This will be a reality for our world for the next several months. This way students will still get social interaction but will also be cutting down on too much exposure.

1755 A vaccine

1763 Vaccine that works

1764 I don't think it's possible to have students wear face masks all day in class or for young kids to stay socially distanced. I don't feel comfortable sending my child to school yet. I don't feel comfortable having my child ride the bus. We have someone at home at high risk. It's just an unsafe feeling even with all the Disinfecting and masks. I can't keep a mask on while in the grocery store for long it's not easy. It all just concerns me.

1776 Again I have 2 children, the one who does not have autism and understand mask, social distancing, what happens if you don't wash hands and keep hands away from face. All of it. Then a child with autism who does not understand any of it and will not keep a mask on etc

1781 \*Take half the school in the AM and half in the PM to cut down on the numbers.  
\*Protocol(s) \*Education

1783 How the pandemic is progressing over the next two months.

1787 Knowing that my kindergarten age children were able to see their teacher's face, have physical contact with their peers, and participate in the active, collaborative learning environment that is necessary for young learners would help me to be confident that the social/emotional learning aspect of Kindergarten/Pre-K is valued as highly as the academic rigor.

1791 Honestly I'm not sure, the whole thing is just scary.

1794 not until a vaccine is available

1798 I believe having a child wear a mask all day at school is unrealistic they are children and shouldn't be forced to keep a mask on and having the grades go every other day would probably be best so it's easier to maintain without to many students.

1808 A vaccine? More reliable antibody testing. Knowledge is power.

## ResponseID Response

1810 Checking for ill students, students not on top of one another in classrooms, busses and hallways, plenty of wipes and sanitizer

1816 Not allowing students to use the same equipment (sanitize after each use); having the students sit 6ft from each other at all times; no physical contact between students

1831 At this time I would feel very uncomfortable putting my child and his teachers at risk of getting sick. There are so many things to consider and while I recognize and truly appreciate the district's efforts to tackle this problem, I believe that I would be comfortable with virtual instruction in the fall.

1832 I don't know there are too many unknown factors

1833 I am not sure. There are too many unknown factors right now.

1835 Only if covid 19 cases continue to decline because we have a family member that is high risk.

1841 See a drastic decline in cases meaning covid has died off

1843 vaccination or definitive idea on treatment so it does not get serious. My child has organ failure and it can be very serious for her and I have multiple autoimmune diseases.

1845 a vaccine

1856 More information on keeping the students safe, PPE, and how people are going to keep the kids socially distant. Trauma therapy provided?

1867 Not open. Do virtual

1874 I will only send my children back if they do NOT have to wear a mask, social distancing,

1876 Learning from home

1877 Knowing what is expected of my child as far as mask and social distancing rules in Sept so I can judge if my child is even able to comply as a 5 year old. Also, hearing how teachers are going to teach kindergarteners new to school successfully with these challenges.

1891 A well thought out, actually doable plan is crucial. My primary school aged children will not wear masks all day. But my middle school student can not continue with the online learning the way it was through the end of the year. He did not learn a single thing in those last 3 months. I haven't read through the plans fully yet, but personally, I think the blended learning is best. A little time in a classroom will allow them to semi safely socialize, but social distance as well. Temperature checks are a definite, but again, what happens when you see a fever on a child getting off a bus full of kids? Personally, I most likely will not send my children on a bus anyway.

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1906 There being no reported cases when they go back.

1925 More teachers so that the students can be properly socially distanced. Switching classes and groups allows for too much exposure to the virus. Don't open the schools just so you can open the economy. Our children are worth the wait.

1933 No covid19 cases.

1934 My son has both asthma and is unable to get a flu shot due to allergies so he is potential at a higher risk if he got COVID. For proper development, kids need to socialize and meet in person with teachers. Posting a video off the web of how do math or teach is not effective for all students. If there is a way to reduce the school day and have students alternate attending in person and learn remotely, I think there is a chance students will learn better. Requiring attendance via zoom, skype, team meeting, etc. will help give them an opportunity to participate and interact with teachers and students and keep them on a daily schedule like when they are in school. It sounds like there are many good ideas but I understand modifications to operate safely will cost money. Shared equipment can work if there are gloves and shields with masks and good disinfection between use. If the school were to offer a mask with a vent at a reasonable cost I would buy two. It is not realistic to think people will comply and throw away masks daily or be able to replace if they sneeze during the day or even wash masks daily. VTSD also has a school sitting vacant that could be used to spread the student population out a little more. Enrollment is down to start, but having that facility for perhaps ninth grade or part of either grade could help thin the numbers out in each building too. I am hopeful something can be worked out so our children can get the best education possible under the circumstances.

1941 work.all will bring a new Flu Season combined with a very strong possibility of another Covid-19 mutation. I do not trust others (mostly students) to follow cdc recommendations to wear masks, maintain social distancing. I know kids come to school sick because their parents have to work. I am very skeptical of the level of cleaning/ sanitizing routine at each school.

1944 Honestly, I think they should wait to do in person instruction until after cold and flu season. Remote learning in fall and winter and then if numbers are good, in person for spring until the end of the year. Schools are already full of germs and close contact already and illnesses spread so quickly as it is. Can't imagine if a few students get corona and come to school

1948 Knowing that the curve is down and less cases are being diagnosed.

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1957	Honestly a sense of normalcy for our kids and not as much fear mongering by people who have such high anxiety...unfortunately though this is not going to happen until we know what the new virus will be in the Fall and whether this new strain will affect as many and possibly children this time around...each child "needs" the school environment differently...for my son if he goes back transitioning with masks etc n then we have to go to home learning again he will do awful with that because of his OCD issues and sensory perception issues not to mention how much he misses his friends so seeing them n then not again wld be awful for him...whereas my daughter could transition back n firth many times simply going with the flow no problem.
1967	I'm not sure. Kids being able to wash their hands with soap and water and not always using hand sanitizer. Parents not sending their kids to school sick.
1971	Seeing the numbers not rising for new cases anymore. People respecting distancing. People wearing masks even if not required.
1980	Nothing. During the fall is going to be a scary time especially with underlying condition
1982	It is critical that everyone wears masks all the time, follows social distance guidelines, and use a rotated schedule of both at home and at school learning.
1986	Vaccine
1993	cleaning the building everyday including children desks chairs. Everyone wear masks properly. Half day learning because wearing masks all day is horrible for your health. Always check temperatures in and out of school.